Each series of securities will be issued in one or more classes. Each class of certificates of a series will evidence beneficial ownership of a specified percentage (which may be 0%) or portion of future interest payments and a specified percentage (which may be 0%) or portion of future principal payments on, and each class of notes of a series will be secured by, the related Trust Fund Assets. A series of securities may include one or more classes that are senior in right to payment to one or more other classes of securities of that series. Certain series or classes of securities may be covered by insurance policies, surety bonds or other forms of credit enhancement, in each case as described under "Credit Enhancement" herein and in the related prospectus supplement. One or more classes of securities of a series may be entitled to receive distributions of principal, interest or any combination thereof. Distributions on one or more classes of a series of securities may be made prior to one or more other classes, after the occurrence of specified events, in accordance with a schedule or formula or on the basis of collections from designated portions of the related Trust Fund Assets, in each case as specified in the related prospectus supplement. The timing and amounts of the distributions may vary among classes or over time as specified in the related prospectus supplement.

Distributions of principal and interest (or, where applicable, of principal only or interest only) on the related securities will be made by the trustee on each distribution date (i.e., monthly, quarterly, semi-annually or at the other intervals and on the dates as are specified in the related prospectus supplement) in proportion to the percentages specified in the related prospectus supplement. Distributions will be made to the persons in whose names the securities are registered at the close of business on the dates specified in the related prospectus supplement (each, a "Record Date"). Distributions will be made in the manner specified in the related prospectus supplement to the persons entitled thereto at the address appearing in the register maintained for holders of securities (the "Security Register"); provided, however, that the final distribution in retirement of the securities will be made only upon presentation and surrender of the securities at the office or agency of the trustee or other person specified in the notice to securityholders of the final distribution.

The securities will be freely transferable and exchangeable at the Corporate Trust Office of the trustee as set forth in the related prospectus supplement. No service charge will be made for any registration of exchange or transfer of securities of any series, but the trustee may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any related tax or other governmental charge.

Certain Issues Related to the Suitability of Investments in the Securities for Holders. Under current law the purchase and holding of certain classes of certificates by or on behalf of any employee benefit plan or other retirement arrangement subject to provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974, as amended, or the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") may result in "prohibited transactions" within the meaning of ERISA and the Code. See "ERISA Considerations." Retirement arrangements subject to these provisions include individual retirement accounts and annuities, Keogh plans and collective investment funds in which the plans, accounts or arrangements are invested. The applicable prospectus supplement may specify other conditions under which transfers of this type would be permitted, but if it does not, transfer of the certificates will not be registered unless the transferee represents that it is not, and is not purchasing on behalf of, a plan, account or other retirement arrangement or provides an opinion of counsel satisfactory to the trustee and the depositor that the purchase of the certificates by or on behalf of a plan, account or other retirement arrangement is permissible under applicable law and will not subject the trustee, the master servicer or the depositor to any obligation or liability in addition to those undertaken in the pooling and servicing agreement.

As to each series, an election may be made to treat the related trust fund or designated portions thereof as one or more "real estate mortgage investment conduits" ("REMICs") as defined in the Code. The related prospectus supplement will specify whether one or more REMIC elections are to be made. Alternatively, the Agreement for a series may provide that one or more REMIC elections may be made at the discretion of the depositor or the master servicer and may only be made if certain conditions are satisfied. The terms and provisions applicable to the making of a REMIC election for each related series, if applicable, will be set forth in the related prospectus supplement. If one or more REMIC elections are made with respect to a series, one of the classes will be designated as evidencing the sole class of "residual interests" in the related REMIC, as defined in the Code. All other classes of securities in the series will constitute "regular interests" in the related REMIC or REMICs, as applicable, as defined in the Code. As to each series with respect to which one or more REMIC elections are to be made, the master servicer or a holder of the related residual certificate will be obligated to take all actions required in order to comply with applicable laws and regulations and will be obligated to pay any prohibited transaction taxes. Unless otherwise provided in the

related prospectus supplement, the master servicer will be entitled to reimbursement if it makes any prohibited transaction tax payment from the assets of the trust fund or from any holder of the related residual certificate. Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, if the amounts distributable to related residual certificates are insufficient to cover the amount of any prohibited transaction taxes, the amount necessary to reimburse the master servicer may be deducted from the amounts otherwise payable to the other classes of certificates of the series.

### **Distributions on Securities**

General. In general, the method of determining the amount of distributions on a particular series of securities will depend on the type of credit support, if any, that is used with respect to the related series. See "Credit Enhancement." Set forth below are descriptions of various methods that may be used to determine the amount of distributions on the securities of a particular series. The prospectus supplement for each series of securities will describe the method to be used in determining the amount of distributions on the securities of the related series.

Distributions allocable to principal and interest on the securities will be made by the trustee out of, and only to the extent of, funds in the related Security Account, including any funds transferred from any reserve fund or the pre-funding account. As between securities of different classes and as between distributions of principal (and, if applicable, between distributions of Principal Prepayments, as defined below, and scheduled payments of principal) and interest, distributions made on any distribution date will be applied as specified in the related prospectus supplement. The prospectus supplement will also describe the method for allocating distributions among securities of a particular class, but if the prospectus supplement does not, distributions to any class of securities will be made pro rata to all securityholders of that class.

Available Funds. All distributions on the securities of each series on each distribution date will be made from the Available Funds described below, in accordance with the terms described in the related prospectus supplement and specified in the Agreement. The applicable prospectus supplement may define Available Funds with references to different accounts or different amounts, but if it does not, "Available Funds" for each distribution date will generally equal the amount on deposit in the related Security Account on that distribution date (net of related fees and expenses payable by the related trust fund) other than amounts to be held therein for distribution on future distribution dates.

Distributions of Interest. Interest will accrue on the aggregate principal balance of the securities (or, in the case of securities entitled only to distributions allocable to interest, the aggregate notional amount) of each class of securities (the "Class Security Balance") entitled to interest from the date, at the Pass-Through Rate or interest rate, as applicable (which in either case may be a fixed rate or rate adjustable as specified in the related prospectus supplement), and for the periods specified in the related prospectus supplement. To the extent funds are available therefor, interest accrued during each specified period on each class of securities entitled to interest (other than a class of securities that provides for interest that accrues, but is not currently payable) will be distributable on the distribution dates specified in the related prospectus supplement until the aggregate Class Security Balance of the securities of that class has been distributed in full or, in the case of securities entitled only to distributions allocable to interest, until the aggregate notional amount of those securities is reduced to zero or for the period of time designated in the related prospectus supplement. The original Class Security Balance of each security will equal the aggregate distributions allocable to principal to which the security is entitled. The applicable prospectus supplement may specify some other basis for these distributions, but if it does not, distributions allocable to interest on each security that is not entitled to distributions allocable to principal will be calculated based on the notional amount of the security. The notional amount of a security will not evidence an interest in or entitlement to distributions allocable to principal but will be used solely for convenience in expressing the calculation of interest and for certain other purposes.

Interest payable on the securities of a series on a distribution date will include all interest accrued during the period specified in the related prospectus supplement. In the event interest accrues over a period ending two or more days prior to a distribution date, the effective yield to securityholders will be reduced from the yield that would otherwise be obtainable if interest payable on the security were to accrue through the day immediately preceding that distribution date, and the effective yield (at par) to securityholders will be less than the indicated coupon rate.

With respect to any class of accrual securities, if specified in the related prospectus supplement, any interest that has accrued but is not paid on a given distribution date will be added to the aggregate Class Security Balance of that class of securities on that distribution date. The applicable prospectus supplement may specify some other basis for these distributions, but if it does not, distributions of interest on any class of accrual securities will commence only after the occurrence of the events specified in the related prospectus supplement. Prior to that time, in the aggregate Class Security Balance of the class of accrual securities will increase on each distribution date by the amount of interest that accrued during the preceding interest accrual period but that was not required to be distributed to the class on that distribution date. Thereafter the class of accrual securities accrue interest on its outstanding Class Security Balance as so adjusted.

Distributions of Principal. The related prospectus supplement will specify the method by which the amount of principal to be distributed on the securities on each distribution date will be calculated and the manner in which the amount will be allocated among the classes of securities entitled to distributions of principal. The aggregate Class Security Balance of any class of securities entitled to distributions of principal generally will be the aggregate original Class Security Balance of the class of securities specified in the prospectus supplement,

- reduced by all distributions reported to the holders of the class of securities as allocable to principal;
- in the case of accrual securities, in general, <u>increased</u> by all interest accrued but not then distributable on the accrual securities;
- in the case of adjustable rate securities, subject to the effect of negative amortization, if applicable; and
- if specified in the related prospectus supplement, <u>reduced</u> by the amount of any losses allocated to the Class Security Balance of the class of securities.

If so provided in the related prospectus supplement, one or more classes of securities will be entitled to receive all or a disproportionate percentage of the payments of principal which are received from borrowers in advance of their scheduled due dates and are not accompanied by amounts representing scheduled interest due after the month in which the payment is made ("Principal Prepayments") in the percentages and under the circumstances or for the periods specified in the prospectus supplement. The effect of this allocation of Principal Prepayments to the class or classes of securities will be to accelerate the amortization of those securities while increasing the interests evidenced by one or more other classes of securities in the trust fund. Increasing the interests of the other classes of securities relative to that of certain securities is intended to preserve the availability of the subordination provided by the securities for which the interests have been increased. See "Credit Enhancement — Subordination."

Unscheduled Distributions. If specified in the related prospectus supplement, the securities will be subject to receipt of distributions before the next scheduled distribution date under the circumstances and in the manner described below and in the prospectus supplement. If applicable, the trustee will be required to make unscheduled distributions on the day and in the amount specified in the related prospectus supplement if, due to substantial payments of principal (including Principal Prepayments) on the Trust Fund Assets, the trustee or the master servicer determines that the funds available or anticipated to be available from the Security Account and, if applicable, any reserve fund, may be insufficient to make required distributions on the securities on that distribution date. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for limits on the amount of an unscheduled distribution, but if it does not, the amount of any unscheduled distribution that is allocable to principal will not exceed the amount that would otherwise have been required to be distributed as principal on the securities on the next distribution date. The applicable prospectus supplement may specify whether the unscheduled distribution will include interest, but if it does not, the unscheduled distributions will include interest at the applicable Pass-Through Rate (if any) or interest rate (if any) on the amount of the unscheduled distribution allocable to principal for the period and to the date specified in the prospectus supplement.

### Advances

To the extent provided in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer will be required to advance on or before each distribution date (from its own funds, funds advanced by sub-servicers or funds held in the

Security Account for future distributions to the holders of securities of the related series), an amount equal to the aggregate of payments of interest and/or principal that were delinquent on the related Determination Date (as the term is defined in the related prospectus supplement) and were not advanced by any sub-servicer, subject to the master servicer's determination that the advances may be recoverable out of late payments by borrowers, Liquidation Proceeds, Insurance Proceeds or otherwise. In the case of cooperative loans, the master servicer also may be required to advance any unpaid maintenance fees and other charges under the related proprietary leases as specified in the related prospectus supplement.

In making advances, the master servicer will endeavor to maintain a regular flow of scheduled interest and principal payments to holders of the securities, rather than to guarantee or insure against losses. If advances are made by the master servicer from cash being held for future distribution to securityholders, the master servicer will replace those funds on or before any future distribution date to the extent that funds in the applicable Security Account on the future distribution date would be less than the amount required to be available for distributions to securityholders on that distribution date. Any master servicer funds advanced will be reimbursable to the master servicer out of recoveries on the specific loans with respect to which the advances were made (e.g., late payments made by the related borrower, any related Insurance Proceeds, Liquidation Proceeds or proceeds of any loan purchased by the depositor, a sub-servicer or a seller pursuant to the related Agreement). Advances by the master servicer (and any advances by a sub-servicer) also will be reimbursable to the master servicer (or sub-servicer) from cash otherwise distributable to securityholders (including the holders of Senior securities) to the extent that the master servicer determines that the advance or advances previously made are not ultimately recoverable as described above. To the extent provided in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer also will be obligated to make advances, to the extent recoverable out of Insurance Proceeds, Liquidation Proceeds or otherwise, in respect of certain taxes and insurance premiums not paid by borrowers on a timely basis. Funds so advanced are reimbursable to the master servicer to the extent permitted by the related Agreement. The obligations of the master servicer to make advances may be supported by a cash advance reserve fund, a surety bond or other arrangement of the type described herein under "Credit Enhancement," in each case as described in the related prospectus supplement.

In the event the master servicer or a sub-servicer fails to make a required advance, the applicable prospectus supplement may specify whether another party will have advancing obligations, but if it does not, the trustee will be obligated to make the advance in its capacity as successor servicer. If the trustee makes an advance, it will be entitled to be reimbursed for the advance to the same extent and degree as the master servicer or a sub-servicer is entitled to be reimbursed for advances. See "Description of the Securities — Distributions on Securities."

### **Reports to Securityholders**

Prior to or concurrently with each distribution on a distribution date the master servicer or the trustee will furnish to each securityholder of record of the related series a statement setting forth, to the extent applicable to the related series of securities, among other things:

- the amount of the distribution allocable to principal, separately identifying the aggregate amount of any Principal Prepayments and if so specified in the related prospectus supplement, any applicable prepayment charges included therein;
- the amount of the distribution allocable to interest;
- the amount of any advance;
- the aggregate amount (a) otherwise allocable to the holders of Subordinate Securities on the distribution date, and (b) withdrawn from the reserve fund or the pre-funding account, if any, that is included in the amounts distributed to the Senior Securityholders;
- the outstanding principal balance or notional amount of each class of the related series after giving effect to the distribution of principal on the distribution date;

- the percentage of principal payments on the loans (excluding prepayments), if any, which each class of the related securities will be entitled to receive on the following distribution date;
- the percentage of Principal Prepayments on the loans, if any, which each class of the related securities will be entitled to receive on the following distribution date;
- the related amount of the servicing compensation retained or withdrawn from the Security Account by the master servicer, and the amount of additional servicing compensation received by the master servicer attributable to penalties, fees, excess Liquidation Proceeds and other similar charges and items;
- the number and aggregate principal balances of loans (A) delinquent (exclusive of loans in foreclosure) 1 to 30 days, 31 to 60 days, 61 to 90 days and 91 or more days and (B) in foreclosure and delinquent 1 to 30 days, 31 to 60 days, 61 to 90 days and 91 or more days, as of the close of business on the last day of the calendar month preceding the distribution date;
- the book value of any real estate acquired through foreclosure or grant of a deed in lieu of foreclosure;
- the Pass-Through Rate or interest rate, as applicable, if adjusted from the date of the last statement, of each class of the related series expected to be applicable to the next distribution to the class;
- if applicable, the amount remaining in any reserve fund or the pre-funding account at the close of business on the distribution date;
- the Pass-Through Rate or interest rate, as applicable, as of the day prior to the immediately preceding distribution date; and
- any amounts remaining under letters of credit, pool policies or other forms of credit enhancement.

Where applicable, any amount set forth above may be expressed as a dollar amount per single security of the relevant class having the percentage interest specified in the related prospectus supplement. The report to securityholders for any series of securities may include additional or other information of a similar nature to that specified above.

In addition, within a reasonable period of time after the end of each calendar year, the master servicer or the trustee will mail to each securityholder of record at any time during the related calendar year a report (a) as to the aggregate of amounts reported pursuant to the first two items above for the related calendar year or, in the event the person was a securityholder of record during a portion of that calendar year, for the applicable portion of the year and (b) other customary information as may be deemed necessary or desirable for securityholders to prepare their tax returns.

## **Categories of Classes of Securities**

The securities of any series may be comprised of one or more classes. These classes, in general, fall into different categories. The following chart identifies and generally defines certain of the more typical categories. The prospectus supplement for a series of securities may identify the classes which comprise the related series by reference to the following categories.

Categories of Classes	Definitions
	Principal Types
Accretion Directed	A class that receives principal payments from the accreted interest from specified Accrual classes. An accretion directed class also may receive principal payments from principal paid on the underlying Trust Fund Assets for the related series.
Companion Class	A class that receives principal payments on any distribution date only if scheduled payments have been made on specified planned principal classes, targeted principal classes or scheduled principal classes.
Component Securities	A class consisting of "components." The components of a class of component securities may have different principal and/or interest payment characteristics but together constitute a single class. Each component of a class of component securities may be identified as falling into one or more of the categories in this chart.
Non-Accelerated Senior or NAS	A class that, for the period of time specified in the related prospectus supplement, generally will not receive (in other words, is locked out of) (1) principal prepayments on the underlying Trust Fund Assets that are allocated disproportionately to the senior securities because of the shifting interest structure of the securities in the trust and/or (2) scheduled principal payments on the underlying Trust Fund Assets, as specified in the related prospectus supplement. During the lock-out period, the portion of the principal distributions on the underlying Trust Fund Assets that the NAS class is locked out of will be distributed to the other classes of senior securities.
Notional Amount Securities	A class having no principal balance and bearing interest on the related notional amount. The notional amount is used for purposes of the determination of interest distributions.
Planned Principal Class or PACs	A class that is designed to receive principal payments using a predetermined principal balance schedule derived by assuming two constant prepayment rates for the underlying Trust Fund Assets. These two rates are the endpoints for the "structuring range" for the planned principal class. The planned principal classes in any series of certificates may be subdivided into different categories (e.g., primary planned principal classes, secondary planned principal classes and so forth) having different effective structuring ranges and different principal payment priorities. The structuring range for the secondary planned principal class of a series of certificates will be narrower than that for the primary planned principal class of the series.
Scheduled Principal Class	A class that is designed to receive principal payments using a predetermined principal balance schedule but is not designated as a Planned Principal Class or Targeted Principal Class. In many cases, the schedule is derived by assuming two constant prepayment rates for the underlying Trust Fund Assets. These two rates are the endpoints for the "structuring range" for the scheduled principal class.
Sequential Pay	Classes that receive principal payments in a prescribed sequence, that do not have predetermined principal balance schedules and that under all

Categories of Classes	<b>Definitions</b>
	circumstances receive payments of principal continuously from the first distribution date on which they receive principal until they are retired. A single class that receives principal payments before or after all other classes in the same series of securities may be identified as a sequential pay class.
Strip	A class that receives a constant proportion, or "strip," of the principal payments on the underlying Trust Fund Assets.
Super Senior	A class that will not bear its proportionate share of realized losses (other than excess losses) as its share is directed to another class, referred to as the "support class" until the class principal balance of the support class is reduced to zero.
Support Class	A class that absorbs the realized losses other than excess losses that would otherwise be allocated to a Super Senior Class (or would not otherwise be allocated to the Senior Class) after the related Classes of subordinate securities are no longer outstanding.
Targeted Principal Class or TACs	A class that is designed to receive principal payments using a predetermined principal balance schedule derived by assuming a single constant prepayment rate for the underlying Trust Fund Assets.
	Interest Types
Fixed Rate	A class with an interest rate that is fixed throughout the life of the class.
Floating Rate or Adjustable Rate	A class with an interest rate that resets periodically based upon a designated index and that varies directly with changes in the index.
Inverse Floating Rate	A class with an interest rate that resets periodically based upon a designated index and that varies inversely with changes in the index.
Variable Rate	A class with an interest rate that resets periodically and is calculated by reference to the rate or rates of interest applicable to specified assets or instruments (e.g., the Loan Rates borne by the underlying loans).
Interest Only	A class that receives some or all of the interest payments made on the underlying Trust Fund Assets and little or no principal. Interest Only classes have either a nominal principal balance or a notional amount. A nominal principal balance represents actual principal that will be paid on the class. It is referred to as nominal since it is extremely small compared to other classes. A notional amount is the amount used as a reference to calculate the amount of interest due on an Interest Only class that is not entitled to any distributions in respect of principal.
Principal Only	A class that does not bear interest and is entitled to receive only distributions in respect of principal.
Partial Accrual	A class that accretes a portion of the amount of accrued interest thereon, which amount will be added to the principal balance of the class on each

Categories of Classes	Definitions
	applicable distribution date, with the remainder of the accrued interest to be distributed currently as interest on the Partial Accrual class. This accretion may continue until a specified event has occurred or until the Partial Accrual class is retired.
Accrual	A class that accretes the amount of accrued interest otherwise distributable on the Accrual class, which amount will be added as principal to the principal balance of the Accrual class on each applicable distribution date. This accretion may continue until some specified event has occurred or until the Accrual class is retired.
Callable	A class that is redeemable or terminable when 25% or more of the original principal balance of the mortgage loans held in the trust fund is outstanding.

Other types of securities that may be issued include classes that are entitled to receive only designated portions of the collections on the Trust Fund Assets (i.e. prepayment charges) or excess cashflow from all or designated portions of the Trust Fund Assets (sometimes referred to as "residual classes").

# **Indices Applicable to Floating Rate and Inverse Floating Rate Classes**

### LIBOR

The applicable prospectus supplement may specify some other basis for determining LIBOR, but if it does not, on the LIBOR determination date (as defined in the related prospectus supplement) for each class of certificates of a series for which the applicable interest rate is determined by reference to an index denominated as LIBOR, the person designated in the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement as the calculation agent will determine LIBOR in accordance with one of the three methods described below (which method will be specified in the related prospectus supplement):

## Bloomberg Method

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, if using this method to calculate LIBOR, the calculation agent will determine LIBOR on the basis of the rate for U.S. dollar deposits for the period specified in the prospectus supplement quoted on the Bloomberg Terminal for the related interest determination date (as defined in the related prospectus supplement). If the rate does not appear on the Bloomberg Terminal (or if this service is no longer offered, another service for displaying LIBOR or comparable rates as may be reasonably selected by the calculation agent), LIBOR for the applicable accrual period will be the Reference Bank Rate.

"Reference Bank Rate" with respect to any accrual period, means

- (a) the arithmetic mean (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest whole multiple of 0.03125%) of the offered rates for United States dollar deposits for one month that are quoted by the reference banks as of 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the related interest determination date to prime banks in the London interbank market, provided that at least two reference banks provide the rate; and
- (b) If fewer than two offered rates appear, the Reference Bank Rate will be the arithmetic mean (rounded upwards, if necessary, to the nearest whole multiple of 0.03125%) of the rates quoted by one or more major banks in New York City, selected by the calculation agent, as of 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on the related interest determination date for loans in U.S. dollars to leading European banks.

Each reference bank will be a leading bank engaged in transactions in Eurodollar deposits in the international Eurocurrency market; will not control, be controlled by, or be under common control with the

depositor, Countrywide Home Loans or the master servicer; and will have an established place of business in London. If a reference bank should be unwilling or unable to act as a reference bank or if appointment of a reference bank is terminated, another leading bank meeting the criteria specified above will be appointed.

If these quotations cannot be obtained by the calculation agent and no Reference Bank Rate is available, LIBOR will be LIBOR applicable to the preceding interest accrual period.

#### LIBO Method

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, if using this method to calculate LIBOR, the calculation agent will determine LIBOR on the basis of the rate for U.S. dollar deposits for the period specified in the prospectus supplement that appears on Telerate Screen Page 3750 as of 11:00 a.m. (London time) on the interest determination date (as defined in the related prospectus supplement). If the rate does not appear on the Telerate Screen Page 3750 (or any page that may replace the page on that service, or if this service is no longer offered, another service for displaying LIBOR or comparable rates as may be reasonably selected by the calculation agent), LIBOR for the applicable accrual period will be the Reference Bank Rate.

#### BBA Method

If using this method of determining LIBOR, the calculation agent will determine LIBOR on the basis of the British Bankers' Association "Interest Settlement Rate" for one-month deposits in United States dollars as found on Telerate page 3750 as of 11:00 a.m. London time on each LIBOR determination date. Interest Settlement Rates currently are based on rates quoted by eight British Bankers' Association designated banks as being, in the view of the banks, the offered rate at which deposits are being quoted to prime banks in the London interbank market. The Interest Settlement Rates are calculated by eliminating the two highest rates and the two lowest rates, averaging the four remaining rates, carrying the result (expressed as a percentage) out to six decimal places, and rounding to five decimal places.

If on any LIBOR determination date, the calculation agent is unable to calculate LIBOR in accordance with the method set forth in the immediately preceding paragraph, LIBOR for the next interest accrual period shall be calculated in accordance with the LIBOR method described under "LIBO Method."

The establishment of LIBOR on each LIBOR determination date by the calculation agent and its calculation of the rate of interest for the applicable classes for the related interest accrual period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding.

#### COFI

The Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index is designed to represent the monthly weighted average cost of funds for savings institutions in Arizona, California and Nevada that are member institutions of the Eleventh Federal Home Loan Bank District (the "Eleventh District"). The Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index for a particular month reflects the interest costs paid on all types of funds held by Eleventh District member institutions and is calculated by dividing the cost of funds by the average of the total amount of those funds outstanding at the end of that month and of the prior month and annualizing and adjusting the result to reflect the actual number of days in the particular month. If necessary, before these calculations are made, the component figures are adjusted by the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco ("FHLBSF") to neutralize the effect of events such as member institutions leaving the Eleventh District or acquiring institutions outside the Eleventh District. The Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index is weighted to reflect the relative amount of each type of funds held at the end of the relevant month. The major components of funds of Eleventh District member institutions are: savings deposits, time deposits, FHLBSF advances, repurchase agreements and all other borrowings. Because the component funds represent a variety of maturities whose costs may react in different ways to changing conditions, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index does not necessarily reflect current market rates.

A number of factors affect the performance of the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index, which may cause it to move in a manner different from indices tied to specific interest rates, such as United States Treasury bills or

LIBOR. Because the liabilities upon which the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index is based were issued at various times under various market conditions and with various maturities, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index may not necessarily reflect the prevailing market interest rates on new liabilities of similar maturities. Moreover, as stated above, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index is designed to represent the average cost of funds for Eleventh District savings institutions for the month prior to the month in which it is due to be published. Additionally, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index may not necessarily move in the same direction as market interest rates at all times, since as longer term deposits or borrowings mature and are renewed at prevailing market interest rates, the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index is influenced by the differential between the prior and the new rates on those deposits or borrowings. In addition, movements of the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index, as compared to other indices tied to specific interest rates, may be affected by changes instituted by the FHLBSF in the method used to calculate the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index.

The FHLBSF publishes the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index in its monthly Information Bulletin. Any individual may request regular receipt by mail of Information Bulletins by writing the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco, P.O. Box 7948, 600 California Street, San Francisco, California 94120, or by calling (415) 616-1000. The Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index may also be obtained by calling the FHLBSF at (415) 616-2600.

The FHLBSF has stated in its Information Bulletin that the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index for a month "will be announced on or near the last working day" of the following month and also has stated that it "cannot guarantee the announcement" of the index on an exact date. So long as the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index for a month is announced on or before the tenth day of the second following month, the interest rate for each class of securities of a series as to which the applicable interest rate is determined by reference to an index denominated as COFI (each, a class of "COFI securities") for the Interest Accrual Period commencing in the second following month will be based on the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index for the second preceding month. If publication is delayed beyond the tenth day, the interest rate will be based on the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index for the third preceding month.

The applicable prospectus supplement may specify some other basis for determining COFI, but if it does not, then if on the tenth day of the month in which any interest accrual period commences for a class of COFI securities the most recently published Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index relates to a month before the third preceding month, the index for the current interest accrual period and for each succeeding interest accrual period will, except as described in the next to last sentence of this paragraph, be based on the National Monthly Median Cost of Funds Ratio to SAIF-Insured Institutions (the "National Cost of Funds Index") published by the Office of Thrift Supervision (the "OTS") for the third preceding month (or the fourth preceding month if the National Cost of Funds Index for the third preceding month has not been published on the tenth day of an interest accrual period). Information on the National Cost of Funds Index may be obtained by writing the OTS at 1700 G Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20552 or calling (202) 906-6677, and the current National Cost of Funds Index may be obtained by calling (202) 906-6988. If on the tenth day of the month in which an interest accrual period commences the most recently published National Cost of Funds Index relates to a month before the fourth preceding month, the applicable index for the interest accrual period and each succeeding interest accrual period will be based on LIBOR, as determined by the calculation agent in accordance with the Agreement relating to the series of certificates. A change of index from the Eleventh District Cost of Funds Index to an alternative index will result in a change in the index level and could increase its volatility, particularly if LIBOR is the alternative index.

The establishment of COFI by the calculation agent and its calculation of the rates of interest for the applicable classes for the related interest accrual period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding.

## Treasury Index

The applicable prospectus supplement may specify some other basis for determining and defining the Treasury index, but if it does not, on the Treasury index determination date for each class of securities of a series for which the applicable interest rate is determined by reference to an index denominated as a Treasury index, the calculation agent will ascertain the Treasury index for Treasury securities of the maturity and for the period (or, if applicable, date) specified in the related prospectus supplement. The Treasury index for any period means the average of the yield for each business day during the specified period (and for any date means the yield for the date), expressed as a per annum percentage rate, on U.S. Treasury securities adjusted to the "constant maturity" specified

in the prospectus supplement or if no "constant maturity" is so specified, U.S. Treasury securities trading on the secondary market having the maturity specified in the prospectus supplement, in each case as published by the Federal Reserve Board in its Statistical Release No. H.15 (519). Statistical Release No. H.15 (519) is published on Monday or Tuesday of each week and may be obtained by writing or calling the Publications Department at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 21st and C Streets, Washington, D.C. 20551 (202) 452-3244. If the calculation agent has not yet received Statistical Release No. H.15 (519) for a week, then it will use the Statistical Release from the preceding week.

Yields on U.S. Treasury securities at "constant maturity" are derived from the U.S. Treasury's daily yield curve. This curve, which relates the yield on a security to its time to maturity, is based on the closing market bid yields on actively traded Treasury securities in the over-the-counter market. These market yields are calculated from composites of quotations reported by five leading U.S. Government securities dealers to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York. This method provides a yield for a given maturity even if no security with that exact maturity is outstanding. In the event that the Treasury Index is no longer published, a new index based upon comparable data and methodology will be designated in accordance with the Agreement relating to the particular series of securities. The Calculation Agent's determination of the Treasury Index, and its calculation of the rates of interest for the applicable classes for the related Interest Accrual Period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding.

#### Prime Rate

The applicable prospectus supplement may specify the party responsible for determining the Prime Rate, but if it does not, on the Prime Rate Determination Date (as the term is defined in the related prospectus supplement) for each class of securities of a series as to which the applicable interest rate is determined by reference to an index denominated as the Prime Rate, the calculation agent will ascertain the Prime Rate for the related interest accrual period. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for the means of determining the Prime Rate, but if it does not, the Prime Rate for an interest accrual period will be the "Prime Rate" as published in the "Money Rates" section of The Wall Street Journal (or if not so published, the "Prime Rate" as published in a newspaper of general circulation selected by the calculation agent in its sole discretion) on the related Prime Rate Determination Date. If a prime rate range is given, then the average of that range will be used. In the event that the Prime Rate is no longer published, a new index based upon comparable data and methodology will be designated in accordance with the Agreement relating to the particular series of securities. The calculation agent's determination of the Prime Rate and its calculation of the rates of interest for the related interest accrual period shall (in the absence of manifest error) be final and binding.

### **Book-Entry Registration of Securities**

As described in the related prospectus supplement, if not issued in fully registered certificated form, each class of securities will be registered as book-entry certificates (the "Book-Entry Securities"). Persons acquiring beneficial ownership interests in the Book-Entry Securities ("Security Owners") may elect to hold their Book-Entry Securities through the Depository Trust Company ("DTC") in the United States, or Clearstream, Luxembourg or the Euroclear System ("Euroclear"), in Europe, if they are participants of those systems, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in those systems. Each class of the Book-Entry Securities will be issued in one or more certificates which equal the aggregate principal balance of the applicable class of the Book-Entry Securities and will initially be registered in the name of Cede & Co., the nominee of DTC. Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear will hold omnibus positions on behalf of their participants through customers' securities accounts in Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear's names on the books of their respective depositaries which in turn will hold the positions in customers' securities accounts in the depositaries' names on the books of DTC. Citibank, NA will act as depositary for Clearstream, Luxembourg and JPMorgan Chase will act as depositary for Euroclear (in those capacities, individually the "Relevant Depositary" and collectively the "European Depositaries"). Unless otherwise described in the related prospectus supplement, beneficial interests in the Book-Entry Securities may be held in minimum denominations representing Certificate Principal Balances of \$20,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 in excess thereof, except that one investor of each class of Book-Entry Securities may hold a beneficial interest therein that is not an integral multiple of \$1,000. Except as described below, no person acquiring a beneficial ownership interest in a Book-Entry Security (each, a "beneficial owner") will be entitled to receive a physical certificate representing the person's beneficial ownership interest in the Book-Entry Security (a "Definitive Security"). Unless and until Definitive Securities are issued, it is anticipated that the only securityholders of the

Book-Entry Securities will be Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC. Security Owners will not be Certificateholders as that term is used in the applicable Agreement. Security Owners are only permitted to exercise their rights indirectly through the participating organizations that utilize the services of DTC, including securities brokers and dealers, banks and trust companies and clearing corporations and certain other organizations ("Participants") and DTC.

The beneficial owner's ownership of a Book-Entry Security will be recorded on the records of the brokerage firm, bank, thrift institution or other financial intermediary (each, a "Financial Intermediary") that maintains the beneficial owner's account for that purpose. In turn, the Financial Intermediary's ownership of the Book-Entry Security will be recorded on the records of DTC (or of a participating firm that acts as agent for the Financial Intermediary, whose interest will in turn be recorded on the records of DTC, if the beneficial owner's Financial Intermediary is not a DTC Participant and on the records of Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, as appropriate).

Security Owners will receive all distributions of principal of, and interest on, the Book-Entry Securities from the trustee through DTC and DTC Participants. While the Book-Entry Securities are outstanding (except under the circumstances described below), under the rules, regulations and procedures creating and affecting DTC and its operations (the "Rules"), DTC is required to make book-entry transfers among Participants on whose behalf it acts with respect to the Book-Entry Securities and is required to receive and transmit distributions of principal of, and interest on, the Book-Entry Securities. Participants and organizations which have indirect access to the DTC system, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Participant, either directly or indirectly ("Indirect Participants"), with whom Security Owners have accounts with respect to the Book-Entry Securities are similarly required to make book-entry transfers and receive and transmit the distributions on behalf of their respective Security Owners. Accordingly, although Security Owners will not possess certificates, the Rules provide a mechanism by which Security Owners will receive distributions and will be able to transfer their interest.

Security Owners will not receive or be entitled to receive certificates representing their respective interests in the Book-Entry Securities, except under the limited circumstances described below. Unless and until Definitive Securities are issued, Security Owners who are not Participants may transfer ownership of the Book-Entry Securities only through Participants and Indirect Participants by instructing the Participants and Indirect Participants to transfer Book-Entry Securities, by book-entry transfer, through DTC for the account of the purchasers of the Book-Entry Securities, which account is maintained with their respective Participants. Under the Rules and in accordance with DTC's normal procedures, transfers of ownership of Book-Entry Securities will be executed through DTC and the accounts of the respective Participants at DTC will be debited and credited. Similarly, the Participants and Indirect Participants will make debits or credits, as the case may be, on their records on behalf of the selling and purchasing Security Owners.

Because of time zone differences, credits of securities received in Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a Participant will be made during, subsequent securities settlement processing and dated the business day following, the DTC settlement date. These credits or any transactions in the securities received in Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a Participant, settled during the processing will be reported to the relevant Euroclear or Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants on that following business day. Cash received in Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear, as a result of sales of securities by or through a Clearstream, Luxembourg Participant or Euroclear Participant to a DTC Participant, will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Transfers between Participants will occur in accordance with DTC rules. Transfers between Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants and Euroclear Participants will occur in accordance with their respective rules and operating procedures.

Cross-market transfers between persons holding securities directly or indirectly through DTC, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants or Euroclear Participants, on the other, will be effected by DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant European international clearing system by the Relevant Depositary; however, these cross market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant European international clearing system by the counterparty in that system in accordance

with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The relevant European international clearing system will, if the transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to the Relevant Depositary to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving securities in DTC, and making or receiving payment in accordance with normal procedures for same day funds settlement applicable to DTC. Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants and Euroclear Participants may not deliver instructions directly to the European Depositaries.

DTC, which is a New York-chartered limited purpose trust company, performs services for its participants, some of which (and/or their representatives) own DTC. In accordance with its normal procedures, DTC is expected to record the positions held by each DTC participant in the Book-Entry Securities, whether held for its own account or as a nominee for another person. In general, beneficial ownership of Book-Entry Securities will be subject to the rules, regulations and procedures governing DTC and DTC participants as in effect from time to time.

Clearstream Banking, société anonyme, 67 Bd Grande-Duchesse Charlotte, L-2967 Luxembourg ("Clearstream, Luxembourg"), was incorporated in 1970 as "Clearstream, Luxembourg S.A." a company with limited liability under Luxembourg law (a société anonyme). Clearstream, Luxembourg S.A. subsequently changed its name to Cedelbank. On January 10, 2000, Cedelbank's parent company, Clearstream, Luxembourg International, société anonyme ("CI") merged its clearing, settlement and custody business with that of Deutsche Borse Clearing AG ("DBC"). The merger involved the transfer by CI of substantially all of its assets and liabilities (including its shares in CB) to a new Luxembourg company, New Clearstream, Luxembourg International, société anonyme ("New CI"), which is 50% owned by CI and 50% owned by DBC's parent company Deutsche Borse AG. The shareholders of these two entities are banks, securities dealers and financial institutions. Clearstream, Luxembourg International currently has 92 shareholders, including U.S. financial institutions or their subsidiaries. No single entity may own more than 5 percent of Clearstream, Luxembourg International's stock.

Further to the merger, the Board of Directors of New CI decided to re-name the companies in the group in order to give them a cohesive brand name. The new brand name that was chosen is "Clearstream" effective as of January 14, 2000. New CI has been renamed "Clearstream International, société anonyme." On January 18, 2000, Cedelbank was renamed "Clearstream Banking, société anonyme" and Clearstream, Luxembourg Global Services was renamed "Clearstream Services, société anonyme."

On January 17, 2000, DBC was renamed "Clearstream Banking AG." This means that there are now two entities in the corporate group headed by Clearstream International which share the name "Clearstream Banking," the entity previously named "Cedelbank" and the entity previously named "Deutsche Borse Clearing AG."

Clearstream, Luxembourg holds securities for its customers and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream, Luxembourg customers through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream, Luxembourg customers, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Transactions may be settled by Clearstream, Luxembourg in any of 36 currencies, including United States Dollars. Clearstream, Luxembourg provides to its customers, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream, Luxembourg also deals with domestic securities markets in over 30 countries through established depository and custodial relationships. Clearstream, Luxembourg is registered as a bank in Luxembourg and is subject to regulation by the Commission de Surveillance du Secteur Financier, "CSSF," which supervises Luxembourg banks. Clearstream, Luxembourg's customers are world-wide financial institutions including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies and clearing corporations. Clearstream, Luxembourg's U.S. customers are limited to securities brokers and dealers, and banks. Currently, Clearstream, Luxembourg has approximately 2,000 customers located in over 80 countries, including all major European countries, Canada, and the United States. Indirect access to Clearstream, Luxembourg is available to other institutions that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with an account holder of Clearstream, Luxembourg. Clearstream, Luxembourg has established an electronic bridge with Euroclear Bank S.A./ N.V. as the Operator of the Euroclear System (the "Euroclear Operator") in Brussels to facilitate settlement of trades between Clearstream, Luxembourg and the Euroclear Operator.

Euroclear was created in 1968 to hold securities for participants of Euroclear ("Euroclear Participants") and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear Participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery

against payment, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Transactions may now be settled in any of 32 currencies, including United States dollars. Euroclear includes various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries generally similar to the arrangements for cross-market transfers with DTC described above. Euroclear is operated by the Brussels, Belgium office of the Euroclear Operator, under contract with Euroclear Clearance Systems S.C., a Belgian cooperative corporation (the "Cooperative"). All operations are conducted by the Euroclear Operator, and all Euroclear securities clearance accounts and Euroclear cash accounts are accounts with the Euroclear Operator, not the Cooperative. The Cooperative establishes policy for Euroclear on behalf of Euroclear Participants. Euroclear Participants include banks (including central banks), securities brokers and dealers and other professional financial intermediaries. Indirect access to Euroclear is also available to other firms that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Euroclear Participant, either directly or indirectly.

The Euroclear Operator has a banking license from the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission. This license authorizes the Euroclear Operator to carry out banking activities on a global basis.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear Operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related Operating Procedures of the Euroclear System and applicable Belgian law (collectively, the "Terms and Conditions"). The Terms and Conditions govern transfers of securities and cash within Euroclear, withdrawals of securities and cash from Euroclear, and receipts of payments with respect to securities in Euroclear. All securities in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear Operator acts under the Terms and Conditions only on behalf of Euroclear Participants, and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear Participants.

Distributions on the Book-Entry Securities will be made on each Distribution Date by the trustee to DTC. DTC will be responsible for crediting the amount of payments on Book-Entry Securities to the accounts of the applicable DTC participants in accordance with DTC's normal procedures. Each DTC participant will be responsible for disbursing the payments to the beneficial owners of the Book-Entry Securities that it represents and to each Financial Intermediary for which it acts as agent. Each Financial Intermediary will be responsible for disbursing funds to the beneficial owners of the Book-Entry Securities that it represents.

Under a book-entry format, beneficial owners of the Book-Entry Securities may experience some delay in their receipt of payments, since the payments will be forwarded by the trustee to Cede & Co. Distributions with respect to Book-Entry Securities held through Clearstream, Luxembourg or Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Clearstream, Luxembourg Participants or Euroclear Participants in accordance with the relevant system's rules and procedures, to the extent received by the Relevant Depositary. These distributions will be subject to tax reporting in accordance with relevant United States tax laws and regulations. See "Material Federal Income Tax Consequences — Tax Treatment of Foreign Investors" and "— Tax Consequences to Holders of the Notes — Backup Withholding" herein. Because DTC can only act on behalf of Financial Intermediaries, the ability of a beneficial owner to pledge Book-Entry Securities to persons or entities that do not participate in the depository system, or otherwise take actions in respect of Book-Entry Securities, may be limited due to the lack of physical certificates for the Book-Entry Securities. In addition, issuance of the Book-Entry Securities in book-entry form may reduce the liquidity of the securities in the secondary market since certain potential investors may be unwilling to purchase securities for which they cannot obtain physical certificates.

Monthly and annual reports on the Trust provided to Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, may be made available to beneficial owners upon request, in accordance with the rules, regulations and procedures creating and affecting DTC or the Depositary, and to the Financial Intermediaries to whose DTC accounts the Book-Entry Securities of the beneficial owners are credited.

DTC has advised the trustee that, unless and until Definitive Securities are issued, DTC will take any action permitted to be taken by the holders of the Book-Entry Securities under the applicable Agreement only at the direction of one or more Financial Intermediaries to whose DTC accounts the Book-Entry Securities are credited, to the extent that those actions are taken on behalf of Financial Intermediaries whose holdings include those Book-Entry Securities. Clearstream, Luxembourg or the Euroclear Operator, as the case may be, will take any other action

permitted to be taken by a holder of a Book-Entry Security under the applicable Agreement on behalf of a Clearstream, Luxembourg Participant or Euroclear Participant only in accordance with its relevant rules and procedures and subject to the ability of the Relevant Depositary to effect the actions on its behalf through DTC. DTC may take actions, at the direction of the related Participants, with respect to some Book-Entry Securities which conflict with actions taken with respect to other Book-Entry Securities.

Definitive Securities will be issued to beneficial owners of the Book-Entry Securities, or their nominees, rather than to DTC, only if (a) DTC or the depositor advises the trustee in writing that DTC is no longer willing, qualified or able to discharge properly its responsibilities as nominee and depositary with respect to the Book-Entry Securities and the depositor or the trustee is unable to locate a qualified successor or (b) after the occurrence of an Event of Default, beneficial owners having not less than 51% of the voting rights evidenced by the Book-Entry Securities advise the trustee and DTC through the Financial Intermediaries and the DTC participants in writing that the continuation of a book-entry system through DTC (or a successor thereto) is no longer in the best interests of beneficial owners of that class.

Upon the occurrence of any of the events described in the immediately preceding paragraph, the trustee will be required to notify all beneficial owners of the occurrence of the event and the availability through DTC of Definitive Securities. Upon surrender by DTC of the global certificate or certificates representing the Book-Entry Securities and instructions for re-registration, the trustee will issue Definitive Securities, and thereafter the trustee will recognize the holders of the Definitive Securities as securityholders under the applicable Agreement.

Although DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear have agreed to the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of securities among participants of DTC, Clearstream, Luxembourg and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue to perform these procedures and these procedures may be discontinued at any time.

None of the master servicer, the depositor or the trustee will have any responsibility for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial ownership interests of the Book-Entry Securities held by Cede & Co., as nominee of DTC, or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to the beneficial ownership interests.

### **Exchangeable Securities**

General. If specified in the related prospectus supplement, a series of securities may include one or more classes that are exchangeable securities. In any of these series, the holders of one or more of the classes of exchangeable securities will be entitled, after notice and payment to the trustee of an administrative fee, to exchange all or a portion of those classes for proportionate interests in one or more of the other classes of exchangeable securities.

If a series includes exchangeable securities as described in the related prospectus supplement, all of these classes of exchangeable securities will be listed in the prospectus supplement. The classes of securities that are exchangeable for one another will be referred to in the related prospectus supplement as "related" to each other, and each related grouping of exchangeable securities will be referred to as a "combination." Each exchangeable security will represent a beneficial ownership interest in the class or classes of securities deposited with the trustee in connection with the exchange (these classes of certificates will be referred to in the related prospectus supplement as the "depositable securities"). The classes of depositable securities will be deposited in a separate trust fund, referred to in this prospectus as the exchangeable securities trust fund, which will also be established pursuant to the pooling and servicing agreement or trust agreement establishing the trust fund that issues the depositable securities. The trustee for the trust fund which issues the depositable securities will also serve as trustee of the exchangeable securities trust fund. The exchangeable securities will be issued by the exchangeable securities trust fund and, in the aggregate, will represent a distinct combination of uncertificated interests in the trust fund. At any time after their initial issuance, the class or classes of depositable securities may be exchanged for the related class or classes of exchangeable securities. In some cases, multiple classes of depositable securities may be exchanged for one or more classes of related exchangeable securities. Exchangeable securities received in an exchange may subsequently be exchanged for other exchangeable securities that are part of the same combination or for the related depositable securities. This process may be repeated again and again.

The descriptions in the related prospectus supplement of the securities of a series that includes depositable securities, including descriptions of principal and interest distributions, registration and denomination of securities, credit enhancement, yield and prepayment considerations and tax, ERISA and legal investment considerations, also will apply to each class of exchangeable securities. The related prospectus supplement will separately describe the yield and prepayment considerations applicable to, and the risks of investment in, each class of exchangeable securities. For example, separate decrement tables and yield tables, if applicable, will be included for each class of exchangeable securities.

*Exchanges*. If a holder elects to exchange its depositable securities for related exchangeable securities, the following three conditions must be satisfied:

- the aggregate principal balance of the exchangeable securities received in the exchange, immediately after the exchange, must equal the aggregate principal balance, immediately prior to the exchange, of the depositable securities (for purposes of this condition, an interest-only class will have a principal balance of zero);
- the aggregate amount of interest payable on any distribution date with respect to the exchangeable securities received in the exchange must equal the aggregate amount of interest payable on such distribution date with respect to the depositable securities; and
- the class or classes of depositable securities must be exchanged in the proportions, if any, described in the related prospectus supplement.

There are different types of combinations of depositable securities and of exchangeable securities that can exist. Any individual series of securities may have multiple types of combinations. Some examples of combinations of exchangeable securities that differ in their interest characteristics include:

- A class of depositable securities with a floating interest rate and a class of depositable securities with an inverse floating interest rate may be exchangeable for a class of exchangeable securities with a fixed interest rate. In this case, the classes of depositable securities with interest rates that vary with an index would produce, in the aggregate, an annual interest amount equal to that generated by the exchangeable class with a fixed interest rate. In addition, the aggregate principal balance of the two depositable classes with interest rates that vary with an index would equal the principal balance of the exchangeable class with the fixed interest rate.
- An interest-only class and a principal only class of depositable securities may be exchangeable, together, for a class of exchangeable securities that is entitled to both principal and interest payments. The principal balance of the principal and interest class of exchangeable securities would be equal to the principal balance of the depositable principal only class, and the interest rate on the exchangeable principal and interest class would be a fixed rate that, when applied to the principal balance of this class, would generate an annual interest amount equal to the annual interest amount of the depositable interest-only class in distributions that have identical amounts and identical timing.
- Two classes of depositable principal and interest classes with different fixed interest rates may be exchangeable, together, for an exchangeable class that is entitled to both principal and interest payments, with a principal balance equal to the aggregate principal balance of the two depositable classes, and a fixed interest rate that, when applied to the principal balance of the exchangeable class, would generate an annual interest amount equal to the aggregate amount of annual interest of the two depositable classes.

In some series, a securityholder may be able to exchange its exchangeable securities for other exchangeable securities that have different principal payment characteristics. Examples of these types of combinations include:

- A class of depositable securities that accretes all of its interest for a specified period, with the
  accreted amount added to the principal balance of the accreting class, and a class of depositable
  securities that receives principal payments from these accretions may be exchangeable, together,
  for a single class of exchangeable securities that receives payments of interest continuously from
  the first distribution date on which it receives interest until it is retired.
- A class of depositable securities that is a Planned Principal Class or Targeted Principal Class, and a
  class of depositable securities that only receives principal payments on a distribution date if
  scheduled payments have been made on the Planned Principal Class or Targeted Principal Class, as
  applicable, may be exchangeable, together, for a class of exchangeable securities that receives
  principal payments without regard to the schedule from the first distribution date on which it
  receives principal until it is retired.

*Procedures*. The related prospectus supplement will describe the procedures that must be followed to make an exchange. A securityholder will be required to provide notice to the trustee in advance of the proposed exchange date. The notice must include the outstanding principal or notional amount of the securities to be exchanged and to be received, and the proposed exchange date. When the trustee receives this notice, it will provide instructions to the securityholder regarding delivery of the securities and payment of the administrative fee. A securityholder's notice to the trustee will become irrevocable on the second business day prior to the proposed exchange date. Any exchangeable securities in book-entry form will be subject to the rules, regulations and procedures applicable to DTC's book-entry securities.

If the related prospectus supplement describes exchange proportions for a combination of classes of exchangeable securities, these proportions will be based on the original, rather than the outstanding, principal or notional amounts of these classes.

The first payment on an exchangeable security received in an exchange will be made on the distribution date in the month following the month of the exchange or as otherwise described in the related prospectus supplement. This payment will be made to the securityholder of record as of the applicable record date.

#### **Credit Enhancement**

### General

Credit enhancement may be provided with respect to one or more classes of a series of securities or with respect to the related Trust Fund Assets. Credit enhancement may be in the form of:

- the subordination of one or more classes of the securities of the series,
- letter of credit,
- a limited financial guaranty policy issued by an entity named in the related prospectus supplement,
- surety bond,
- bankruptcy bond,
- special hazard insurance policy,
- guaranteed investment contract,
- overcollateralization,

- one or more reserve funds,
- a mortgage pool insurance policy,
- FHA Insurance,
- a VA Guarantee,
- cross-collateralization feature, or
- any combination of the foregoing.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for credit enhancement which covers all the classes of securities, but if it does not, credit enhancement will not provide protection against all risks of loss and will not guarantee repayment of the entire principal balance of the securities and interest thereon. If losses occur which exceed the amount covered by credit enhancement or which are not covered by the credit enhancement, securityholders will bear their allocable share of any deficiencies.

#### **Subordination**

If so specified in the related prospectus supplement, protection afforded to holders of one or more classes of securities of a series by means of the subordination feature may be accomplished by the preferential right of holders of one or more other classes of the series (the "Senior Securities") to distributions in respect of scheduled principal, Principal Prepayments, interest or any combination thereof that otherwise would have been payable to holders of subordinate securities (the "Subordinate Securities") under the circumstances and to the extent specified in the related prospectus supplement. Protection may also be afforded to the holders of Senior Securities of a series by: (i) reducing the principal or notional balance (if applicable) of the related subordinate securities; (ii) a combination of the immediately preceding sentence and clause (i) above; or (iii) as otherwise described in the related prospectus supplement. If so specified in the related prospectus supplement, delays in receipt of scheduled payments on the loans and losses on defaulted loans may be borne first by the various classes of subordinate securities and thereafter by the various classes of Senior Securities, in each case under the circumstances and subject to the limitations specified in the related prospectus supplement. The aggregate distributions in respect of delinquent payments on the loans over the lives of the securities or at any time, the aggregate losses in respect of defaulted loans which must be borne by the Subordinate Securities by virtue of subordination and the amount of the distributions otherwise distributable to the holders of Subordinate Securities that will be distributable to Senior Securityholders on any distribution date may be limited as specified in the related prospectus supplement. If aggregate distributions in respect of delinquent payments on the loans or aggregate losses in respect of the loans were to exceed an amount specified in the related prospectus supplement, holders of Senior Securities would experience losses on the securities.

In addition to or in lieu of the foregoing, if so specified in the related prospectus supplement, all or any portion of distributions otherwise payable to holders of Subordinate Securities on any distribution date may instead be deposited into one or more reserve funds established with the trustee or distributed to holders of Senior Securities. The deposits to a reserve fund may be made on each distribution date, for specified periods or until the balance in the reserve fund has reached a specified amount and, following payments from the reserve fund to holders of Senior Securities or otherwise, thereafter to the extent necessary to restore the balance in the reserve fund to required levels, in each case as specified in the related prospectus supplement. Amounts on deposit in the reserve fund may be released to the holders of certain classes of securities at the times and under the circumstances specified in the related prospectus supplement.

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, various classes of Senior Securities and Subordinate Securities may themselves be subordinate in their right to receive certain distributions to other classes of Senior and Subordinate Securities, respectively, through preferential rights of those classes of securities to distributions in

respect to the other classes of Senior Securities and Subordinate Securities, a cross-collateralization mechanism or otherwise.

As between classes of Senior Securities and as between classes of Subordinate Securities, distributions may be allocated among those classes (i) in the order of their scheduled final distribution dates, (ii) in accordance with a schedule or formula, (iii) in relation to the occurrence of events, or (iv) otherwise, in each case as specified in the related prospectus supplement. As between classes of Subordinate Securities, payments to holders of Senior Securities on account of delinquencies or losses and payments to any reserve fund will be allocated as specified in the related prospectus supplement.

#### **Letter of Credit**

The letter of credit, if any, with respect to a series of securities will be issued by the bank or financial institution specified in the related prospectus supplement (the "L/C Bank"). Under the letter of credit, the L/C Bank will be obligated to honor drawings thereunder in an aggregate fixed dollar amount, net of unreimbursed payments thereunder, equal to the percentage specified in the related prospectus supplement of the aggregate principal balance of the loans on the related cut-off date or of one or more classes of securities (the "L/C Percentage"). If so specified in the related prospectus supplement, the letter of credit may permit drawings in the event of losses not covered by insurance policies or other credit support, such as losses arising from damage not covered by standard hazard insurance policies, losses resulting from the bankruptcy of a borrower and the application of certain provisions of the federal Bankruptcy Code, or losses resulting from denial of insurance coverage due to misrepresentations in connection with the origination of a loan. The amount available under the letter of credit will, in all cases, be reduced to the extent of the unreimbursed payments thereunder. The obligations of the L/C Bank under the letter of credit for each series of securities will expire at the earlier of the date specified in the related prospectus supplement or the termination of the trust fund. See "The Agreements — Termination: Optional Termination." A copy of the letter of credit for a series, if any, will be filed with the SEC as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K after the issuance of the securities of the related series.

### **Insurance Policies, Surety Bonds and Guaranties**

If so provided in the prospectus supplement for a series of securities, deficiencies in amounts otherwise payable on the securities or certain classes thereof will be covered by insurance policies and/or surety bonds provided by one or more insurance companies or sureties. These instruments may cover, with respect to one or more classes of securities of the related series, timely distributions of interest and/or full distributions of principal on the basis of a schedule of principal distributions set forth in or determined in the manner specified in the related prospectus supplement. In addition, if specified in the related prospectus supplement, a trust fund may also include bankruptcy bonds, special hazard insurance policies, other insurance or guaranties for the purpose of (i) maintaining timely payments or providing additional protection against losses on the assets included in the trust fund, (ii) paying administrative expenses or (iii) establishing a minimum reinvestment rate on the payments made in respect of the assets or principal payment rate on the assets. If specified in the related prospectus supplement, the trust fund may include a guaranteed investment contact pursuant to which the trust fund is entitled to receive specified payments for a period of time. These arrangements may include agreements under which securityholders are entitled to receive amounts deposited in various accounts held by the trustee upon the terms specified in the related prospectus supplement. If applicable, a copy of any instrument for a series will be filed with the SEC as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K after the issuance of the securities of the related series.

#### Overcollateralization and Excess Cash Flow

If so provided in the prospectus supplement for a series of securities, the aggregate principal balance of the underlying Trust Fund Assets as of the cut-off date may exceed the principal balance of the securities being issued, thereby resulting in overcollateralization. In addition, if so provided in the prospectus supplement, a portion of the interest payment on each loan may be applied as an additional distribution in respect of principal to reduce the principal balance of a certain class or classes of securities and, thus, accelerate the rate of payment of principal on that class or classes of securities. Reducing the principal balance of the securities without a corresponding reduction in the principal balance of the underlying Trust Fund Assets will result in overcollateralization or increase the level

of overcollateralization. Additionally, some of the excess cash flow may be applied to make distributions to holders of securities to which losses have been allocated up to the amount of the losses that were allocated.

#### **Reserve Accounts**

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, credit support with respect to a series of securities will be provided by the establishment and maintenance with the trustee for the series of securities, in trust, of one or more reserve funds for the series. The related prospectus supplement will specify whether or not any reserve fund will be included in the trust fund for the related series.

The reserve fund for a series will be funded (i) by the deposit therein of cash, United States Treasury securities, instruments evidencing ownership of principal or interest payments thereon, letters of credit, demand notes, certificates of deposit or a combination thereof in the aggregate amount specified in the related prospectus supplement, (ii) by the deposit therein from time to time of certain amounts, as specified in the related prospectus supplement to which the holders of Subordinate Securities, if any, would otherwise be entitled or (iii) or as otherwise may be specified in the related prospectus supplement.

Any amounts on deposit in the reserve fund and the proceeds of any other instrument upon maturity will be held in cash or will be invested in Permitted Investments. Any amounts so deposited and payments on instruments so deposited will be available for withdrawal from the reserve fund for distribution to the holders of securities of the related series for the purposes, in the manner and at the times specified in the related prospectus supplement.

### **Special Hazard Insurance Policies**

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, a separate special hazard insurance policy will be obtained for the pool and will be issued by the insurer named in the prospectus supplement. Each special hazard insurance policy will, subject to policy limitations, protect holders of the related securities from loss caused by the application of the coinsurance clause contained in hazard insurance policies and loss from damage to mortgaged properties caused by certain hazards not insured against under the standard form of hazard insurance policy in the states where the mortgaged properties are located or under a flood insurance policy if the mortgaged property is located in a federally designated flood area. Some of the losses covered include earthquakes and, to a limited extent, tidal waves and related water damage or as otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement. See "The Agreements – Hazard Insurance." No special hazard insurance policy will cover losses from fraud or conversion by the trustee or master servicer, war, insurrection, civil war, certain governmental action, errors in design, faulty workmanship or materials (except under certain circumstances), nuclear or chemical reaction, flood (if the mortgaged property is located in a federally designated flood area), nuclear or chemical contamination and certain other risks. The amount of coverage under any special hazard insurance policy will be specified in the related prospectus supplement. Each special hazard insurance policy will provide that no claim may be paid unless hazard and, if applicable, flood insurance on the property securing the mortgage loan have been kept in force and other protection and preservation expenses have been paid.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for other payment coverage, but if it does not, then, subject to these limitations, each special hazard insurance policy will provide that where there has been damage to property securing a foreclosed mortgage loan (title to which has been acquired by the insured) and to the extent the damage is not covered by the hazard insurance policy or flood insurance policy, if any, maintained by the mortgagor or the master servicer, the special hazard insurer will pay the lesser of the cost of repair or replacement of the property or, upon transfer of the property to the special hazard insurer, the unpaid principal balance of the mortgage loan at the time of acquisition of the property by foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure, plus accrued interest to the date of claim settlement and certain expenses incurred by the master servicer with respect to the property. If the unpaid principal balance of a mortgage loan plus accrued interest and certain expenses is paid by the special hazard insurer, the amount of further coverage under the related special hazard insurance policy will be reduced by that amount less any net proceeds from the sale of the property. Any amount paid to repair the property will further reduce coverage by that amount. So long as a pool insurance policy remains in effect, the payment by the special hazard insurer of the cost of repair or of the unpaid principal balance of the related mortgage loan plus accrued interest and certain expenses will not affect the total insurance proceeds paid to securityholders, but will affect the relative amounts of coverage remaining under the related special hazard insurance policy and pool insurance policy.

To the extent specified in the prospectus supplement, the master servicer may deposit cash, an irrevocable letter of credit, or any other instrument acceptable to each nationally recognized rating agency rating the securities of the related series at the request of the depositor in a special trust account to provide protection in lieu of or in addition to that provided by a special hazard insurance policy. The amount of any special hazard insurance policy or of the deposit to the special trust account relating to the securities may be reduced so long as the reduction will not result in a downgrading of the rating of the securities by a rating agency rating securities at the request of the depositor.

## **Bankruptcy Bonds**

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, a bankruptcy bond to cover losses resulting from proceedings under the federal Bankruptcy Code with respect to a mortgage loan will be issued by an insurer named in the prospectus supplement. Each bankruptcy bond will cover, to the extent specified in the related prospectus supplement, certain losses resulting from a reduction by a bankruptcy court of scheduled payments of principal and interest on a mortgage loan or a reduction by the court of the principal amount of a mortgage loan and will cover certain unpaid interest on the amount of a principal reduction from the date of the filing of a bankruptcy petition. The required amount of coverage under each bankruptcy bond will be set forth in the related prospectus supplement. Coverage under a bankruptcy bond may be cancelled or reduced by the master servicer if the cancellation or reduction would not adversely affect the then current rating or ratings of the related securities. See "Certain Legal Aspects of the Loans – Anti-Deficiency Legislation and Other Limitations on Lenders."

To the extent specified in the prospectus supplement, the master servicer may deposit cash, an irrevocable letter of credit or any other instrument acceptable to each nationally recognized rating agency rating the securities of the related series at the request of the depositor in a special trust account to provide protection in lieu of or in addition to that provided by a bankruptcy bond. The amount of any bankruptcy bond or of the deposit to the special trust account relating to the securities may be reduced so long as the reduction will not result in a downgrading of the rating of the securities by a rating agency rating securities at the request of the depositor.

## **Pool Insurance Policies**

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, a separate pool insurance policy ("Pool Insurance Policy") will be obtained for the pool and issued by the insurer (the "Pool Insurer") named in the related prospectus supplement. Each Pool Insurance Policy will, subject to the limitations described below, cover loss by reason of default in payment on loans in the pool in an amount equal to a percentage specified in the related prospectus supplement of the aggregate principal balance of the loans on the cut-off date which are not covered as to their entire outstanding principal balances by Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies. As more fully described below, the master servicer will present claims thereunder to the Pool Insurer on behalf of itself, the trustee and the holders of the securities of the related series. The Pool Insurance Policies, however, are not blanket policies against loss, since claims thereunder may only be made respecting particular defaulted loans and only upon satisfaction of certain conditions precedent described below. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for the extent of coverage provided by the related Pool Insurance Policy, but if it does not, the Pool Insurance Policies will not cover losses due to a failure to pay or denial of a claim under a Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for the conditions for the presentation of claims under a Pool Insurance Policy, but if it does not, the Pool Insurance Policy will provide that no claims may be validly presented unless (i) any required Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy is in effect for the defaulted loan and a claim thereunder has been submitted and settled; (ii) hazard insurance on the related Property has been kept in force and real estate taxes and other protection and preservation expenses have been paid; (iii) if there has been physical loss or damage to the Property, it has been restored to its physical condition (reasonable wear and tear excepted) at the time of issuance of the policy; and (iv) the insured has acquired good and merchantable title to the Property free and clear of liens except certain permitted encumbrances. Upon satisfaction of these conditions, the Pool Insurer will have the option either (a) to purchase the property securing the defaulted loan at a price equal to the principal balance thereof plus accrued and unpaid interest at the Loan Rate to the date of the purchase and certain expenses incurred by the master servicer on behalf of the trustee and securityholders, or (b) to pay the amount by which the sum of the principal balance of the defaulted loan plus accrued and unpaid interest at the Loan Rate to the date of payment of the claim and the aforementioned expenses exceeds the proceeds received from an approved sale of the

Property, in either case net of certain amounts paid or assumed to have been paid under the related Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy. If any Property securing a defaulted loan is damaged and proceeds, if any, from the related hazard insurance policy or the applicable special hazard insurance policy are insufficient to restore the damaged Property to a condition sufficient to permit recovery under the Pool Insurance Policy, the master servicer will not be required to expend its own funds to restore the damaged Property unless it determines that (i) the restoration will increase the proceeds to securityholders on liquidation of the loan after reimbursement of the master servicer for its expenses and (ii) the expenses will be recoverable by it through proceeds of the sale of the Property or proceeds of the related Pool Insurance Policy or any related Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for a Pool Insurance Policy covering losses resulting from defaults, but if it does not, the Pool Insurance Policy will not insure (and many Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies do not insure) against loss sustained by reason of a default arising from, among other things,

- fraud or negligence in the origination or servicing of a loan, including misrepresentation by the borrower, the originator or persons involved in the origination thereof, or
- failure to construct a Property in accordance with plans and specifications.

A failure of coverage attributable to one of the foregoing events might result in a breach of the related seller's representations described above, and, might give rise to an obligation on the part of the related seller to repurchase the defaulted loan if the breach cannot be cured by the related seller. No Pool Insurance Policy will cover (and many Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies do not cover) a claim in respect of a defaulted loan occurring when the servicer of the loan, at the time of default or thereafter, was not approved by the applicable insurer.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for a Pool Insurance Policy featuring a fixed amount of coverage over the life of the policy, but if it does not, the original amount of coverage under each Pool Insurance Policy will be reduced over the life of the related securities by the aggregate dollar amount of claims paid less the aggregate of the net amounts realized by the Pool Insurer upon disposition of all foreclosed properties. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for the exclusion of specified expenses from the coverage of the Pool Insurance Policy, but if it does not, the amount of claims paid will include certain expenses incurred by the master servicer as well as accrued interest on delinquent loans to the date of payment of the claim. Accordingly, if aggregate net claims paid under any Pool Insurance Policy reach the original policy limit, coverage under that Pool Insurance Policy will be exhausted and any further losses will be borne by the related securityholders.

Additionally, if specified in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer will maintain or cause to be maintained, as the case may be, in full force and effect, a Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy with regard to each loan for which coverage is required and loans designated in the related prospectus supplement as insured by the FHA will be insured by the FHA as authorized under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended. See "The Agreements – Realization Upon Defaulted Loans" for a discussion of these types of insurance.

In general, the master servicer will require the mortgagor or obligor on each loan to maintain a hazard insurance policy providing for no less than the coverage of the standard form of fire insurance policy with extended coverage customary for the type of Property in the state in which the Property is located. See "The Agreements – Hazard Insurance" for a description of the coverage with respect to these policies.

### **Financial Instruments**

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, the trust fund may include one or more interest rate or currency swap arrangements or similar financial instruments that are used to alter the payment characteristics of the mortgage loans or the securities issued by the trust fund and whose primary purpose is not to provide credit enhancement related to the assets in the trust fund or the securities issued by the trust fund. The primary purpose of a currency swap arrangement will be to convert payments to be made on the mortgage loans or the securities issued by the trust fund from one currency into another currency, and the primary purpose of an interest rate swap arrangement or other financial instrument will be one or more of the following:

- convert the payments on some or all of the mortgage loans from fixed to floating payments, or from floating to fixed, or from floating based on a particular interest rate index to floating based on another interest rate index;
- provide payments in the event that any interest rate index related to the mortgage loans or the securities issued by the trust rises above or falls below specified levels; or
- provide protection against interest rate changes.

If a trust fund includes financial instruments of this type, the instruments may be structured to be exempt from the registration requirements of the Securities Act. If applicable, a copy of any instrument for a series will be filed with the SEC as an exhibit to a Current Report on Form 8-K to be filed with the SEC after the issuance of the securities of the related series.

### **Cross Support**

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, the beneficial ownership of separate groups of assets included in a trust fund may be evidenced by separate classes of the related series of securities. Similarly, if specified in the related prospectus supplement, certain classes of notes may be supported by cash flow and related assets of separate group of assets from other classes of notes. In that case, credit support may be provided by a cross support feature that requires that distributions be made on securities evidencing a beneficial ownership interest in, or notes supported by, other asset groups within the same trust fund. The related prospectus supplement for a series that includes a cross support feature will describe the manner and conditions for applying the cross support feature.

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, the coverage provided by one or more forms of credit support may apply concurrently to two or more related groups of assets included in a trust fund. If applicable, the related prospectus supplement will identify the groups of assets in the trust fund to which the credit support relates and the manner of determining the amount of the coverage provided by it and of the application of the coverage to the identified groups of assets included in the trust fund.

# **Yield, Maturity and Prepayment Considerations**

The yields to maturity and weighted average lives of the securities will be affected primarily by the amount and timing of principal payments received on or in respect of the Trust Fund Assets included in the related trust fund. The original terms to maturity of the loans in a given pool will vary depending upon the type of loans included therein. Each prospectus supplement will contain information with respect to the type and maturities of the loans in the related pool. The related prospectus supplement will specify the circumstances, if any, under which the related loans will be subject to prepayment charges. The prepayment experience on the loans in a pool will affect the weighted average life of the related series of securities.

## **Prepayments on Loans**

The rate of prepayment on the loans cannot be predicted. Generally, all conventional loans will contain due-on-sale provisions permitting the mortgagee to accelerate the maturity of the loan upon sale or certain transfers by the borrower of the related Property. Loans insured by the FHA, and single family loans partially guaranteed by

the VA, are assumable with the consent of the FHA and the VA, respectively. Thus, the rate of prepayments on the loans may be lower than that of conventional loans bearing comparable interest rates. The master servicer generally will enforce any due-on-sale or due-on-encumbrance clause, to the extent it has knowledge of the conveyance or further encumbrance or the proposed conveyance or proposed further encumbrance of the Property and reasonably believes that it is entitled to do so under applicable law; provided, however, that the master servicer will not take any enforcement action that would impair or threaten to impair any recovery under any related insurance policy. See "The Agreements — Collection Procedures" and "Certain Legal Aspects of the Loans" for a description of certain provisions of each Agreement and certain legal developments that may affect the prepayment experience on the loans.

The rate of prepayments with respect to conventional mortgage loans has fluctuated significantly in recent years. In general, with respect to fixed rate loans, if prevailing rates fall significantly below the Loan Rates borne by the loans, the loans are more likely to be subject to higher prepayment rates than if prevailing interest rates remain at or above the Loan Rates. Conversely, if prevailing interest rates rise appreciably above the Loan Rates borne by the fixed rate loans, the loans are more likely to experience a lower prepayment rate than if prevailing rates remain at or below the Loan Rates. However, we can give no assurance that either will occur. As is the case with fixed rate loans, adjustable rate loans may be subject to a greater rate of principal prepayments in a declining interest rate environment. For example, if prevailing interest rates fall significantly, adjustable rate loans could be subject to higher prepayment rates than if prevailing interest rates remain constant because the availability of fixed rate loans at lower interest rates may encourage mortgagors to refinance their adjustable rate loans to a lower fixed interest rate. Prepayments on the hybrid loans (loans which are fixed for a period and then convert to adjustable rate loans) may differ as they approach their respective initial adjustment dates, particularly those that require payments of interest only prior to their initial adjustment date. However, we can give no assurance that will occur. The actual rate of principal prepayments on the mortgage loans is influenced by a variety of economic, tax, geographic, demographic, social, legal and other factors and has fluctuated considerably in recent years. In addition, the rate of principal prepayments may differ among pools of mortgage loans at any time because of specific factors relating to the mortgage loans in the particular pool, including, among other things, the age of the mortgage loans, the geographic locations of the properties securing the loans, the extent of the mortgagor's equity in the properties, and changes in the mortgagors' housing needs, job transfers and employment status.

## **Prepayment Effect on Interest**

When a full prepayment is made on a loan, the borrower is charged interest on the principal amount of the loan so prepaid only for the number of days in the month actually elapsed up to the date of the prepayment, rather than for a full month. The effect of prepayments in full will be to reduce the amount of interest passed through or paid in the following month to holders of securities because interest on the principal amount of any loan so prepaid will generally be paid only to the date of prepayment. Partial prepayments in a given month may be applied to the outstanding principal balances of the loans so prepaid on the first day of the month of receipt or the month following receipt. In the latter case, partial prepayments will not reduce the amount of interest passed through or paid in that month. The applicable prospectus supplement may specify when prepayments are passed through to securityholders, but if it does not, neither full nor partial prepayments will be passed through or paid until the month following receipt.

If the rate at which interest is passed through or paid to the holders of securities of a series is calculated on a loan-by-loan basis, disproportionate principal prepayments among loans with different Loan Rates will affect the yield on the securities. In most cases, the effective yield to securityholders will be lower than the yield otherwise produced by the applicable Pass-Through Rate or interest rate and purchase price, because while interest will generally accrue on each loan from the first day of the month, the distribution of interest will not be made earlier than the month following the month of accrual.

## Delays in Realization on Property; Expenses of Realization

Even assuming that the Properties provide adequate security for the loans, substantial delays could be encountered in connection with the liquidation of defaulted loans and corresponding delays in the receipt of related proceeds by securityholders could occur. An action to foreclose on a Property securing a loan is regulated by state statutes and rules and is subject to many of the delays and expenses of other lawsuits if defenses or counterclaims

are interposed, sometimes requiring several years to complete. Furthermore, in some states an action to obtain a deficiency judgment is not permitted following a nonjudicial sale of a property. In the event of a default by a borrower, these restrictions among other things, may impede the ability of the master servicer to foreclose on or sell the Property or to obtain liquidation proceeds sufficient to repay all amounts due on the related loan. In addition, the master servicer will be entitled to deduct from related liquidation proceeds all expenses reasonably incurred in attempting to recover amounts due on defaulted loans and not yet repaid, including payments to senior lienholders, legal fees and costs of legal action, real estate taxes and maintenance and preservation expenses.

Liquidation expenses with respect to defaulted mortgage loans generally do not vary directly with the outstanding principal balance of the loan at the time of default. Therefore, assuming that a servicer took the same steps in realizing upon a defaulted mortgage loan having a small remaining principal balance as it would in the case of a defaulted mortgage loan having a large remaining principal balance, the amount realized after expenses of liquidation would be smaller as a percentage of the remaining principal balance of the small mortgage loan than would be the case with the other defaulted mortgage loan having a large remaining principal balance.

Applicable state laws generally regulate interest rates and other charges, require certain disclosures, and require licensing of certain originators and servicers of loans. In addition, most have other laws, public policy and general principles of equity relating to the protection of consumers, unfair and deceptive practices and practices which may apply to the origination, servicing and collection of the loans. Depending on the provisions of the applicable law and the specific facts and circumstances involved, violations of these laws, policies and principles may limit the ability of the master servicer to collect all or part of the principal of or interest on the loans, may entitle the borrower to a refund of amounts previously paid and, in addition, could subject the master servicer to damages and administrative sanctions.

### **Optional Purchase**

Under certain circumstances, the master servicer, the holders of the residual interests in a REMIC or another person specified in the related prospectus supplement may have the option to purchase the assets of a trust fund thereby effecting earlier retirement of the related series of securities. See "The Agreements — Termination; Optional Termination".

The relative contribution of the various factors affecting prepayment may vary from time to time. We can give no assurance as to the rate of payment of principal of the Trust Fund Assets at any time or over the lives of the securities.

### **Prepayment Standards or Models**

Prepayments on loans can be measured relative to a prepayment standard or model. The prospectus supplement for a series of securities will describe the prepayment standard or model, if any, used and may contain tables setting forth the projected weighted average life of each class of securities of that series and the percentage of the original principal amount of each class of securities of that series that would be outstanding on specified distribution dates for that series based on the assumptions stated in the prospectus supplement, including assumptions that prepayments on the loans or underlying loans, as applicable, included in the related trust fund are made at rates corresponding to various percentages of the prepayment standard or model specified in the prospectus supplement.

We can give no assurance that prepayment of the loans or underlying loans, as applicable, included in the related trust fund will conform to any level of any prepayment standard or model specified in the related prospectus supplement. The rate of principal prepayments on pools of loans is influenced by a variety of economic, demographic, geographic, legal, tax, social and other factors.

### Yield

The yield to an investor who purchases securities in the secondary market at a price other than par will vary from the anticipated yield if the rate of prepayment on the loans is actually different than the rate anticipated by the investor at the time the securities were purchased.

The prospectus supplement relating to a series of securities will discuss in greater detail the effect of the rate and timing of principal payments (including prepayments), delinquencies and losses on the yield, weighted average lives and maturities of the securities.

#### The Agreements

Set forth below is a description of the material provisions of each Agreement which are not described elsewhere in this prospectus. The description is subject to, and qualified in its entirety by reference to, the provisions of each Agreement. Where particular provisions or terms used in the Agreements are referred to, those provisions or terms are as specified in the Agreements.

# **Assignment of the Trust Fund Assets**

Assignment of the Loans. At the time of issuance of the securities of a series, the depositor will cause the loans comprising the related trust fund to be assigned to the trustee (or trust, in the case of a series with both notes and certificates), without recourse, together with all principal and interest received by or on behalf of the depositor on or with respect to the loans after the cut-off date, other than principal and interest due on or before the cut-off date and other than any Retained Interest specified in the related prospectus supplement. In the case of a series with both notes and certificates, the trust will pledge these assets to the trustee for the benefit of the holders of the notes. The trustee (or trust, in the case of a series with both notes and certificates) will, concurrently with the assignment, deliver the related securities to the depositor in exchange for the loans. Each loan will be identified in a schedule appearing as an exhibit to the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement, as applicable. The schedule will include information as to the outstanding principal balance of each loan after application of payments due on or before the cut-off date, as well as information regarding the Loan Rate, the maturity of the loan, the Loan-to-Value Ratios at origination and certain other information.

In addition, the depositor will also deliver or cause to be delivered to the trustee (or to the custodian) for each single family loan or multifamily loan,

- the mortgage note or contract endorsed without recourse in blank or to the order of the trustee, except that the depositor may deliver or cause to be delivered a lost note affidavit together with a copy of the original note in lieu of any original mortgage note that has been lost,
- the mortgage, deed of trust or similar instrument (a "Mortgage") with evidence of recording indicated
  thereon (except for any Mortgage not returned from the public recording office, in which case the depositor
  will deliver or cause to be delivered a copy of the Mortgage together with a certificate that the original of
  the Mortgage was delivered to the recording office),
- an assignment of the Mortgage to the trustee, which assignment will be in recordable form in the case of a Mortgage assignment, and
- any other security documents, including those relating to any senior interests in the Property, as may be specified in the related prospectus supplement or the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide other arrangements for assuring the priority of assignments, but if it does not, the seller, the depositor or the trustee, as specified in the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement, will promptly cause the assignments of the related loans to be recorded in the

appropriate public office for real property records, except in states in which, in the opinion of counsel acceptable to the trustee, the recording is not required to protect the trustee's or the certificateholder's interest.

With respect to any loans that are cooperative loans, the depositor will cause to be delivered to the trustee the related original cooperative shares endorsed without recourse in blank or to the order of the trustee, the original security agreement, the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement, the recognition agreement, the relevant financing statements and any other document specified in the related prospectus supplement. The depositor will cause to be filed in the appropriate office an assignment and a financing statement evidencing the trustee's security interest in each cooperative loan.

The trustee (or the custodian) will review the loan documents within the time period specified in the related prospectus supplement after receipt thereof, and the trustee will hold the documents in trust for the benefit of the related securityholders. Generally, if the document is found to be missing or defective in any material respect, the trustee (or the custodian) will notify the master servicer, the depositor, and the related seller. If the seller cannot cure the omission or defect within the time period specified in the related prospectus supplement after receipt of the notice, the seller will be obligated to either purchase the related loan from the trust fund at the Purchase Price or if so specified in the related prospectus supplement, remove the loan from the trust fund and substitute in its place one or more other loans that meet certain requirements set forth therein. We can give no assurance that a seller will fulfill this purchase or substitution obligation. Although the master servicer may be obligated to enforce the obligation to purchase the related loan to the extent described above under "Loan Program — Representations by Sellers; Repurchases," neither the master servicer nor the depositor will be obligated to purchase or replace the loan if the seller defaults on its obligation, unless the breach also constitutes a breach of the representations or warranties of the master servicer or the depositor, as the case may be. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide other remedies, but if it does not, this obligation to cure, purchase or substitute constitutes the sole remedy available to the securityholders or the trustee for omission of, or a material defect in, a constituent document.

The trustee may be authorized to appoint a custodian pursuant to a custodial agreement to maintain possession of and, if applicable, to review the documents relating to the loans as agent of the trustee.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions, with respect to a trust fund for which one or more REMIC elections are to be made, no purchase or substitution of a loan will be made if the purchase or substitution would result in a prohibited transaction tax under the Code.

Although the depositor has expressed in the Agreement its intent to treat the conveyance of the loans as a sale, the depositor will also grant to the trustee (or trust, in the case of a series with both notes and certificates) a security interest in the loans. This security interest is intended to protect the interests of the securityholders if a bankruptcy court were to characterize the depositor's transfer of the loans as a borrowing by the depositor secured by a pledge of the loans as described under "Risk Factors – Bankruptcy Or Insolvency May Affect The Timing And Amount Of Distributions On The Securities". In the event that a bankruptcy court did characterize the transaction as a borrowing by the depositor, that borrowing would be secured by the loans in which the depositor granted a security interest to the trustee (or trust, in the case of a series with both notes and certificates). The depositor has agreed to take those actions that are necessary to maintain the security interest granted to the trustee as a first priority, perfected security interest in the loans, including the filing of Uniform Commercial Code financing statements, if necessary.

Assignment of Agency Securities. The depositor will cause the Agency Securities to be registered in the name of the trustee or its nominee, and the trustee concurrently will execute, countersign and deliver the certificates. Each Agency Security will be identified in a schedule appearing as an exhibit to the pooling and servicing agreement, which will specify as to each Agency Security the original principal amount and outstanding principal balance as of the cut-off date, the annual pass-through rate and the maturity date.

Assignment of Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities. The depositor will cause the Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities to be registered in the name of the trustee. The trustee (or the custodian) will have possession of any certificated Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities. Generally, the trustee will not be in possession of or be assignee of record of any underlying assets for a Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Security. See "The Trust Fund — Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Security will

be identified in a schedule appearing as an exhibit to the related pooling and servicing agreement which will specify the original principal amount, outstanding principal balance as of the cut-off date, annual pass-through rate or interest rate and maturity date and other specified pertinent information for each Non-Agency Mortgage-Backed Security conveyed to the trustee.

## Payments On Loans; Deposits to Security Account

The master servicer will establish and maintain or cause to be established and maintained with respect to the related trust fund a separate account or accounts for the collection of payments on the related Trust Fund Assets in the trust fund (the "Security Account"). The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for other requirements for the Security Account, but if it does not, the Security Account must be either:

- an account or accounts maintained with a federal or state chartered depository institution or trust company the short-term unsecured debt obligations of which (or, in the case of a depository institution or trust company that is the principal subsidiary of a holding company, the debt obligations of such holding company) have (a) the highest short-term ratings of Moody's or Fitch and (b) one of the two highest short-term ratings of S&P (or, if such entity does not have a short-term rating from S&P, the long-term unsecured and unsubordinated debt obligations of such entity have a rating from S&P of at least "BBB+");
- a trust account or accounts maintained with the corporate trust department of a federal or state chartered depository institution or trust company, acting in its fiduciary capacity; or
- an account or accounts otherwise acceptable to each Rating Agency.

The collateral eligible to secure amounts in the Security Account is limited to Permitted Investments. A Security Account may be maintained as an interest bearing account or the funds held therein may be invested pending each succeeding distribution date in Permitted Investments. To the extent provided in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer or its designee will be entitled to direct the investment of the funds held in the Security Account and to receive any interest or other income earned on funds in the Security Account as additional compensation, and will be obligated to deposit in the Security Account the amount of any loss immediately as realized. The Security Account may be maintained with the master servicer or with a depository institution that is an affiliate of the master servicer, provided it meets the standards set forth above.

The master servicer will deposit or cause to be deposited in the Security Account for each trust fund, to the extent applicable and unless otherwise specified in the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement, and the related prospectus supplement, the following payments and collections received or advances made by or on behalf of it subsequent to the cut-off date (other than payments due on or before the cut-off date and exclusive of any amounts representing any Retained Interest):

- all payments on account of principal, including Principal Prepayments and, if specified in the related prospectus supplement, any applicable prepayment charges, on the loans;
- all payments on account of interest on the loans, net of applicable servicing compensation;
- all proceeds (net of unreimbursed payments of property taxes, insurance premiums and similar items ("Insured Expenses") incurred, and unreimbursed advances made, by the master servicer, if any) of the hazard insurance policies and any Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies, to the extent the proceeds are not applied to the restoration of the property or released to the mortgagor in accordance with the master servicer's normal servicing procedures (collectively, "Insurance Proceeds") and all other cash amounts (net of unreimbursed expenses incurred in connection with liquidation or foreclosure ("Liquidation Expenses") and unreimbursed advances made, by the master servicer, if any) received and retained in connection with the liquidation of defaulted loans, by foreclosure or otherwise, together with any net proceeds received on a monthly basis with respect to any properties acquired on behalf of the securityholders by foreclosure or deed in lieu of foreclosure ("Liquidation Proceeds") and any Subsequent Recoveries;

- all proceeds of any loan or property in respect thereof purchased by the master servicer, the depositor or any seller as described under "Loan Program Representations by Sellers; Repurchases" or "— Assignment of Trust Fund Assets" above and all proceeds of any loan purchased as described under "— Termination; Optional Termination" below;
- all payments required to be deposited in the Security Account with respect to any deductible clause in any blanket insurance policy described under "— Hazard Insurance" below;
- any amount required to be deposited by the master servicer in connection with losses realized on
  investments for the benefit of the master servicer of funds held in the Security Account and, to the extent
  specified in the related prospectus supplement, any advances required to be made by the master servicer
  and any payments required to be made by the master servicer in connection with prepayment interest
  shortfalls; and
- all other amounts required to be deposited in the Security Account pursuant to the Agreement.

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement the master servicer will make these deposits within two business days of receipt of the amounts or on a daily basis to the extent the master servicer's or its parent's credit rating does not satisfy the requirements set forth in the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement.

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer (or the depositor, as applicable) may from time to time direct the institution that maintains the Security Account to withdraw funds from the Security Account for the following purposes:

- to pay to the master servicer the master servicing fees (subject to reduction) described in the related prospectus supplement, and, as additional servicing compensation, earnings on or investment income with respect to funds in the amounts in the Security Account credited thereto, as well as any other additional servicing compensation specified in the related prospectus supplement;
- to reimburse the master servicer and the trustee for advances, which right of reimbursement with respect to any loan is limited to amounts received that represent late recoveries of payments of principal and/or interest on the loan (or Insurance Proceeds or Liquidation Proceeds with respect thereto) with respect to which the advance was made;
- to reimburse the master servicer and the trustee for any advances previously made which the master servicer has determined to be nonrecoverable;
- to reimburse the master servicer from Insurance Proceeds for expenses incurred by the master servicer and covered by the related insurance policies;
- to reimburse the master servicer for unpaid master servicing fees and unreimbursed out-of-pocket costs and expenses incurred by the master servicer in the performance of its servicing obligations, which right of reimbursement is limited to amounts received representing late recoveries of the payments for which the advances were made;
- to pay to the master servicer, the depositor or the applicable seller, with respect to each loan or property acquired in respect thereof that has been purchased by the master servicer or seller pursuant to the related Agreement, all amounts received after the purchase and not taken into account in determining the purchase price of the repurchased loan;
- to reimburse the master servicer, the depositor or other party specified in the related prospectus supplement for expenses incurred and reimbursable pursuant to the Agreement;

- to pay any lender-paid primary mortgage insurance premium;
- to withdraw any amount deposited in the Security Account and not required to be deposited therein; and
- to clear and terminate the Security Account upon termination of the Agreement.

In addition, the Agreement will generally provide that, on or prior to the business day immediately preceding each distribution date, the master servicer shall withdraw from the Security Account the amount of Available Funds and the trustee fee for the distribution date, to the extent on deposit, for deposit in an account maintained by the trustee for the related series of securities.

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, aside from the annual compliance review and servicing criteria assessment and accompanying accountants' attestation, there is no independent verification of the transaction accounts or the transaction activity. The master servicer is required to provide an annual certification to the effect that the master servicer has fulfilled its obligations under the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement throughout the preceding year, as well as an annual assessment and an accompanying accountants' attestation as to its compliance with applicable servicing criteria. See " – Evidence as to Compliance."

## **Pre-Funding Account**

If so provided in the related prospectus supplement, the trustee will establish and maintain an account (the "Pre-Funding Account"), in the name of the related trustee on behalf of the related securityholders, into which the seller or the depositor will deposit cash in an amount specified in the prospectus supplement (the "Pre-Funded Amount") on the related closing date. The Pre-Funding Account will be maintained with the trustee for the related series of securities or with another eligible institution, and is designed solely to hold funds to be applied during the period from the closing date to a date not more than a year after the closing date (the "Funding Period") to pay to the depositor the purchase price for loans purchased during the Funding Period (the "Subsequent Loans"). Monies on deposit in the Pre-Funding Account will not be available to cover losses on or in respect of the related loans. The Pre-Funded Amount will not exceed 50% of the initial aggregate principal amount of the certificates and notes of the related series. The Pre-Funded Amount will be used by the related trustee to purchase Subsequent Loans from the depositor from time to time during the Funding Period. The Funding Period, if any, for a trust fund will begin on the related closing date and will end on the date specified in the related prospectus supplement, which in no event will be later than the date that is one year after the related closing date. Monies on deposit in the Pre-Funding Account may be invested in Permitted Investments under the circumstances and in the manner described in the related prospectus supplement. Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, earnings on investment of funds in the Pre-Funding Account will be deposited into the related Security Account or the other trust account as is specified in the related prospectus supplement and losses will be charged against the funds on deposit in the Pre-Funding Account. Any amounts remaining in the Pre-Funding Account at the end of the Funding Period will be distributed in the manner and priority specified in the related prospectus supplement.

In addition, if so provided in the related prospectus supplement, on the related closing date the depositor or the seller will deposit in an account (the "Capitalized Interest Account") cash in the amount necessary to cover shortfalls in interest on the related series of securities that may arise as a result of utilization of the Pre-Funding Account as described above, or with respect to the related distributions dates, Countrywide Home Loans may deposit the amount of these shortfalls specified in the related prospectus supplement in to the related Security Account. The Capitalized Interest Account shall be maintained with the trustee for the related series of securities and is designed solely to cover the above-mentioned interest shortfalls. Neither the monies on deposit in the Capitalized Interest Account nor any amounts paid by Countrywide Home Loans will be available to cover losses on or in respect of the related loans. To the extent that the entire amount on deposit in the Capitalized Interest Account has not been applied to cover shortfalls in interest on the related series of securities by the end of the Funding Period, any amounts remaining in the Capitalized Interest Account will be paid to the depositor.

### **Investments in Amounts Held in Accounts**

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, funds held in a Security Account, any Pre-Funding Account, any Capitalized Interest Account, any reserve fund or any other accounts that are part of the Trust Fund Assets, may be invested in "Permitted Investments" which may include one or more of the following:

- (i) obligations of the United States or any agency thereof, provided the obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States;
- (ii) general obligations of or obligations guaranteed by any state of the United States or the District of Columbia receiving the highest long-term debt rating of each Rating Agency rating the related series of securities, or such lower rating as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the ratings then assigned to the related securities by each Rating Agency;
- (iii) commercial paper issued by Countrywide Home Loans, Inc. or any of its affiliates; provided that the commercial paper is rated no lower than the rating specified in the related prospectus supplement;
- (iv) commercial or finance company paper which is then receiving the highest commercial or finance company paper rating of each Rating Agency, or such lower rating as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the ratings then assigned to the related securities by each Rating Agency;
- (v) certificates of deposit, demand or time deposits, or bankers' acceptances issued by any depository institution or trust company incorporated under the laws of the United States or of any state thereof and subject to supervision and examination by federal and/or state banking authorities, provided that the commercial paper and/or long term unsecured debt obligations of the depository institution or trust company (or in the case of the principal depository institution in a holding company system, the commercial paper or long-term unsecured debt obligations of the holding company, but only if Moody's Investors Service, Inc. is not a Rating Agency) are then rated one of the two highest long-term and the highest short-term ratings of each Rating Agency for the securities, or such lower ratings as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the ratings then assigned to the related securities by each Rating Agency;
- (vi) demand or time deposits or certificates of deposit issued by any bank or trust company or savings institution to the extent that the deposits are fully insured by the FDIC;
- (vii) guaranteed reinvestment agreements issued by any bank, insurance company or other corporation containing, at the time of the issuance of the agreements, the terms and conditions as each Rating Agency has confirmed in writing are sufficient for the ratings originally assigned to the related securities by each such Rating Agency;
- (viii) repurchase obligations with respect to any security described in clauses (i) and (ii) above, in either case entered into with a depository institution or trust company (acting as principal) described in clause (v) above;
- (ix) securities (other than stripped bonds, stripped coupons or instruments sold at a purchase price in excess of 115% of the face amount thereof) bearing interest or sold at a discount issued by any corporation incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof which, at the time of the investment, have one of the two highest ratings of each Rating Agency (except if the Rating Agency is Moody's, the rating shall be the highest commercial paper rating of Moody's for any of those securities), or such lower ratings as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the ratings then assigned to the related securities by each Rating Agency;
- (x) interests in any money market fund which at the date of acquisition of the interests in the fund and throughout the time the interests are held in the fund has the highest applicable rating by each

Rating Agency or a lower rating as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the ratings then assigned to the related securities by each Rating Agency;

- (xi) units of a taxable money-market portfolio having the highest rating assigned by each Rating Agency and restricted to obligations issued or guaranteed by the United States of America or entities whose obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States of America and repurchase agreements collateralized by such obligations;
- (xii) short term investment funds sponsored by any trust company or national banking association incorporated under the laws of the United States or any state thereof which on the date of acquisition has been rated by each Rating Agency in their respective highest applicable rating category or a lower rating as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the ratings then assigned to the related securities by each Rating Agency; and
- (xiii) other investments that have a specified stated maturity and bearing interest or sold at a discount acceptable to each Rating Agency as will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the rating then assigned to the related securities by any Rating Agency, as evidenced by a signed writing delivered by each Rating Agency; provided that none of those investments shall be a Permitted Investment if the investments evidences the right to receive interest only payments with respect to the obligations underlying the investment.

If a letter of credit is deposited with the trustee, that letter of credit will be irrevocable and will name the trustee, in its capacity as trustee for the holders of the securities, as beneficiary and will be issued by an entity acceptable to each Rating Agency that rates the securities of the related series. Additional information with respect to the instruments deposited in the accounts will be set forth in the related prospectus supplement.

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, the Permitted Investments will be held in the name of the trustee for the benefit of the securityholders and may not mature later than:

- in the case of a Security Account, the second business day next preceding the date on which funds must be transferred to the trustee in each month (except that if the Permitted Investment is an obligation of the institution that maintains the Security Account, then the Permitted Investment may not mature later than the business day next preceding that date) and may not be sold or disposed of prior to its maturity; and
- in the case of the any other account, the business day immediately preceding the first distribution date that follows the date of the investment (except that if the Permitted Investment is an obligation of the institution that maintains the account, then the Permitted Investment may mature not later than the related distribution date) and may not be sold or disposed of prior to its maturity.

#### **Sub-Servicing by Sellers**

Each seller of a loan or any other servicing entity may act as the sub-servicer for the loan pursuant to a sub-servicing agreement, which will not contain any terms inconsistent with the related Agreement. Notwithstanding any subservicing arrangement, unless otherwise provided in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer will remain liable for its servicing duties and obligations under the related Agreement as if the master servicer alone were servicing the loans.

#### **Collection Procedures**

The master servicer, directly or through one or more sub-servicers, will make reasonable efforts to collect all payments called for under the loans and will, consistent with each Agreement and any mortgage insurance policy required to be maintained under the related Agreement, follow collection procedures that are customary with respect to loans that are comparable to the loans. Consistent with the above, the master servicer may, in its discretion, waive any assumption fee, late payment or other charge in connection with a loan and to the extent not inconsistent with the coverage of the loan by any mortgage insurance policy required to be maintained under the related

Agreement, if applicable, arrange with a borrower a schedule for the liquidation of delinquencies running for no more than 180 days after the applicable due date for each payment. To the extent the master servicer is obligated to make or cause to be made advances, the obligation will remain during any period of that arrangement.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for other alternatives regarding due-on-sale clause, but if it does not, in any case in which property securing a loan has been, or is about to be, conveyed by the mortgagor or obligor, the master servicer will, to the extent it has knowledge of the conveyance or proposed conveyance, exercise or cause to be exercised its rights to accelerate the maturity of the loan under any due-on-sale clause applicable thereto, but only if the exercise of the rights is permitted by applicable law and will not impair or threaten to impair any recovery under any mortgage insurance policy required to be maintained under the related Agreement. If these conditions are not met or if the master servicer reasonably believes it is unable under applicable law to enforce the due-on-sale clause or if coverage under any required mortgage insurance policy would be adversely affected, the master servicer will enter into or cause to be entered into an assumption and modification agreement with the person to whom the property has been or is about to be conveyed, pursuant to which the person becomes liable for repayment of the loan and, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the mortgagor remains liable thereon. Any fee collected by or on behalf of the master servicer for entering into an assumption agreement will be retained by or on behalf of the master servicer as additional servicing compensation. See "Certain Legal Aspects of the Loans — Due-on-Sale Clauses". In connection with any assumption, the terms of the related loan may not be changed.

With respect to cooperative loans, any prospective purchaser will generally have to obtain the approval of the board of directors of the relevant cooperative before purchasing the shares and acquiring rights under the related proprietary lease or occupancy agreement. See "Certain Legal Aspects of the Loans". This approval is usually based on the purchaser's income and net worth and numerous other factors. Although the cooperative's approval is unlikely to be unreasonably withheld or delayed, the necessity of acquiring approval could limit the number of potential purchasers for those shares and otherwise limit the trust fund's ability to sell and realize the value of those shares.

In general a "tenant-stockholder" (as defined in Code Section 216(b)(2)) of a corporation that qualifies as a "cooperative housing corporation" within the meaning of Code Section 216(b)(1) is allowed a deduction for amounts paid or accrued within his taxable year to the corporation representing his proportionate share of certain interest expenses and certain real estate taxes allowable as a deduction under Code Section 216(a) to the corporation under Code Sections 163 and 164. In order for a corporation to qualify under Code Section 216(b)(1) for its taxable year in which those items are allowable as a deduction to the corporation, that Section requires, among other things, that at least 80% of the gross income of the corporation be derived from its tenant-stockholders (as defined in Code Section 216(b)(2)). By virtue of this requirement, the status of a corporation for purposes of Code Section 216(b)(1) must be determined on a year-to-year basis. Consequently, we can give no assurance that cooperatives relating to the cooperative loans will qualify under that Section for any particular year. In the event that a cooperative fails to qualify for one or more years, the value of the collateral securing any related cooperative loans could be significantly impaired because no deduction would be allowable to tenant-stockholders under Code Section 216(a) with respect to those years. In view of the significance of the tax benefits accorded tenant-stockholders of a corporation that qualifies under Code Section 216(b)(1), the likelihood that a failure to qualify would be permitted to continue over a period of years appears remote.

### **Delinquency Calculation Methods**

Each prospectus supplement will describe the delinquency calculation method(s) used with respect to the related loans. These methods may include the MBA Method, the OTS Method or a combination of both methods.

Under the methodology used by the Mortgage Bankers Association (the "MBA Method"), a loan is considered "30 days delinquent" if the borrower fails to make a scheduled payment prior to the close of business on the day immediately preceding the due date that immediately follows the due date on which the scheduled payment was originally due. For example, a loan will be considered 30 days delinquent if the borrower fails to make a scheduled payment originally due on July 1 by the close of business on July 31. A loan would be considered "60 days delinquent" with respect to a scheduled payment if such scheduled payment were not made prior to the close of business on the day prior to the loan's second succeeding due date.

Under the methodology used by the Office of Thrift Supervision (the "OTS Method"), a loan is considered "30 days delinquent" if the borrower fails to make a scheduled payment prior to the close of business on the due date that immediately follows the due date on which the scheduled payment was originally due. For example, a loan will be considered 30 days delinquent if the borrower fails to make a scheduled payment originally due on July 1 by the close of business on August 1. Therefore, if that loan were to be included in a trust fund with a cut-off date of August 1 and if delinquency status of that loan is determined on the cut-off date, that loan would not be considered 30 or more days delinquent. That loan would be considered 60 days delinquent if the borrower fails to make the scheduled payment due on July 1 by the close of business on September 1.

Investors should note that, except as otherwise provided in the related prospectus supplement, borrower delinquency status will be determined as of the last day of the prior month. Changes in borrower delinquency status after that time will not be disclosed until the following month. In addition, bankruptcy, foreclosure and REO property status will be determined as of the last day of the prior month. Although such loans are removed from the delinquency categories, they may count in connection with total delinquency information or delinquency triggers (if specified in the related prospectus supplement).

Generally, because of the way delinquencies are calculated as described above, delinquencies calculated under the MBA Method are a month greater than as calculated under the OTS Method, and loans which are 30 days delinquent under the MBA Method are not delinquent under the OTS Method. Investors should carefully note the method used with respect to the related securitization as described in the prospectus supplement.

#### **Hazard Insurance**

In general, the master servicer will require the mortgagor or obligor on each loan to maintain a hazard insurance policy providing for coverage in an amount that is at least equal to the lesser of:

- the maximum insurable value of the improvements securing the loan; or
- the greater of:
  - (1) the outstanding principal balance of the loan; and
  - (2) an amount such that the proceeds of the policy shall be sufficient to prevent the mortgagor and/or the mortgagee from becoming a co-insurer.

All amounts collected by the master servicer under any hazard policy (except for amounts to be applied to the restoration or repair of the Property or released to the mortgagor or obligor in accordance with the master servicer's normal servicing procedures) will be deposited in the related Security Account. In the event that the master servicer maintains a blanket policy insuring against hazard losses on all the loans comprising part of a trust fund, it will conclusively be deemed to have satisfied its obligation relating to the maintenance of hazard insurance. The blanket policy may contain a deductible clause, in which case the master servicer will be required to deposit from its own funds into the related Security Account the amounts which would have been deposited therein but for that clause.

In general, the standard form of fire and extended coverage policy covers physical damage to or destruction of the improvements securing a loan by fire, lightning, explosion, smoke, windstorm and hail, riot, strike and civil commotion, subject to the conditions and exclusions particularized in each policy. Although the policies relating to the loans may have been underwritten by different insurers under different state laws in accordance with different applicable forms and therefore may not contain identical terms and conditions, the basic terms thereof are dictated by respective state laws, and most policies typically do not cover any physical damage resulting from the following: war, revolution, governmental actions, floods and other water-related causes, earth movement (including earthquakes, landslides and mud flows), nuclear reactions, wet or dry rot, vermin, rodents, insects or domestic animals, theft and, in certain cases, vandalism and hurricanes. The foregoing list is merely indicative of certain kinds of uninsured risks and is not intended to be all inclusive. If the Property securing a loan is located in a federally designated special flood area at the time of origination, the master servicer will require the mortgagor or obligor to obtain and maintain flood insurance.

The hazard insurance policies covering properties securing the loans typically contain a clause which in effect requires the insured at all time to carry insurance of a specified percentage (generally 80% to 90%) of the full replacement value of the insured property in order to recover the full amount of any partial loss. If the insured's coverage falls below this specified percentage, then the insurer's liability in the event of partial loss will not exceed the larger of

- the actual cash value (generally defined as replacement cost at the time and place of loss, less physical depreciation) of the improvements damaged or destroyed and
- the proportion of the loss as the amount of insurance carried bears to the specified percentage of the full replacement cost of the improvements.

Since the amount of hazard insurance the master servicer may cause to be maintained on the improvements securing the loans declines as the principal balances owing thereon decrease, and since improved real estate generally has appreciated in value over time in the past, the effect of this requirement in the event of partial loss may be that hazard insurance proceeds will be insufficient to restore fully the damaged property. If specified in the related prospectus supplement, a special hazard insurance policy will be obtained to insure against certain of the uninsured risks described above. See "Credit Enhancement".

The master servicer will not require that a standard hazard or flood insurance policy be maintained on the cooperative dwelling relating to any cooperative loan. Generally, the cooperative itself is responsible for maintenance of hazard insurance for the property owned by the cooperative and the tenant-stockholders of that cooperative do not maintain individual hazard insurance policies. To the extent, however, that a cooperative and the related borrower on a cooperative loan do not maintain that insurance or do not maintain adequate coverage or any insurance proceeds are not applied to the restoration of damaged property, any damage to the borrower's cooperative dwelling or the cooperative's building could significantly reduce the value of the collateral securing the cooperative loan to the extent not covered by other credit support.

If the Property securing a defaulted loan is damaged and proceeds, if any, from the related hazard insurance policy are insufficient to restore the damaged Property, the master servicer is not required to expend its own funds to restore the damaged Property unless it determines (i) that the restoration will increase the proceeds to securityholders on liquidation of the loan after reimbursement of the master servicer for its expenses and (ii) that the expenses will be recoverable by it from related Insurance Proceeds, Liquidation Proceeds or Subsequent Recoveries.

If recovery on a defaulted loan under any related Insurance Policy is not available for the reasons set forth in the preceding paragraph, or if the defaulted loan is not covered by an Insurance Policy, the master servicer will be obligated to follow or cause to be followed those normal practices and procedures as it deems necessary or advisable to realize upon the defaulted loan. If the proceeds of any liquidation of the Property securing the defaulted loan are less than the principal balance of the loan plus interest accrued thereon that is payable to securityholders, the trust fund will realize a loss in the amount of the difference plus the aggregate of expenses incurred by the master servicer in connection with the proceedings and which are reimbursable under the Agreement. In the unlikely event that those proceedings result in a total recovery which is, after reimbursement to the master servicer of its expenses, in excess of the principal balance of the loan plus interest accrued thereon that is payable to securityholders, the master servicer will be entitled to withdraw or retain from the Security Account amounts representing its normal servicing compensation with respect to the loan and amounts representing the balance of the excess, exclusive of any amount required by law to be forwarded to the related borrower, as additional servicing compensation.

If the master servicer or its designee recovers Insurance Proceeds which, when added to any related Liquidation Proceeds and after deduction of certain expenses reimbursable to the master servicer, exceed the principal balance of the loan plus interest accrued thereon that is payable to securityholders, the master servicer will be entitled to withdraw or retain from the Security Account amounts representing its normal servicing compensation with respect to the loan. In the event that the master servicer has expended its own funds to restore the damaged Property and the funds have not been reimbursed under the related hazard insurance policy, it will be entitled to withdraw from the Security Account out of related Liquidation Proceeds or Insurance Proceeds an amount equal to the expenses incurred by it, in which event the trust fund may realize a loss up to the amount so charged. Since

Insurance Proceeds cannot exceed deficiency claims and certain expenses incurred by the master servicer, that payment or recovery will not result in a recovery to the trust fund which exceeds the principal balance of the defaulted loan together with accrued interest thereon. See "Credit Enhancement".

## **Application of Liquidation Proceeds**

The proceeds from any liquidation of a loan will be applied in the following order of priority:

- to reimburse the master servicer for any unreimbursed expenses incurred by it to restore the related Property and any unreimbursed servicing compensation payable to the master servicer with respect to the loan;
- to reimburse the master servicer and trustee for any unreimbursed advances with respect to the loan;
- to accrued and unpaid interest (to the extent no advance has been made for that amount or the advance has been reimbursed) on the loan; and
- as a recovery of principal of the loan.

Unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, excess proceeds from the liquidation of a loan will be retained by the master servicer as additional servicing compensation.

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, if, after final liquidation of a mortgage loan, the master servicer receives a recovery specifically related to that mortgage loan, the recovery (net of any reimbursable expenses) will be distributed to the securityholders in the manner specified in the related prospectus supplement. In addition, the principal balance of each class of securities to which realized losses have been allocated, will be increased, sequentially in the order of payment priority, to the extent that such subsequent recoveries are distributed as principal to any class of securities. However, the principal balance of the class of securities will not be increased by more than the amount of realized losses previously applied to reduce the principal balance of each the class of securities. Holders of securities whose class principal balance is increased in this manner will not be entitled to interest on the increased balance for any interest accrual period preceding the Distribution Date on which the increase occurs.

## **Realization Upon Defaulted Loans**

Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies. If so specified in the related prospectus supplement, the master servicer will maintain or cause to be maintained, as the case may be, in full force and effect, a Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy with regard to each loan for which the coverage is required. Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies reimburse certain losses sustained by reason of defaults in payments by borrowers. The master servicer will not cancel or refuse to renew any Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy in effect at the time of the initial issuance of a series of securities that is required to be kept in force under the applicable Agreement unless the replacement Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy for the cancelled or nonrenewed policy is maintained with an insurer whose claims-paying ability is sufficient to maintain the current rating of the classes of securities of the series that have been rated.

Although the terms of primary mortgage insurance vary, the amount of a claim for benefits under a Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy covering a loan will consist of the insured percentage of the unpaid principal amount of the covered loan and accrued and unpaid interest on it and reimbursement of certain expenses, less all rents or other payments collected or received by the insured (other than the proceeds of hazard insurance) that are derived from or in any way related to the Property, hazard insurance proceeds in excess of the amount required to restore the Property and which have not been applied to the payment of the mortgage loan, amounts expended but not approved by the issuer of the related Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy, claim payments previously made by the primary insurer and unpaid premiums.

Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies reimburse certain losses sustained from defaults in payments by borrowers. Primary Mortgage Insurance Policies will not insure against, and exclude from coverage, a loss sustained from a default arising from or involving certain matters, including fraud or negligence in origination or servicing of the loans, including misrepresentation by the originator, mortgagor, obligor or other persons involved in the origination of the loan; failure to construct the Property subject to the mortgage loan in accordance with specified plans; physical damage to the Property; and the related sub-servicer not being approved as a servicer by the primary insurer.

As conditions precedent to the filing of or payment of a claim under a Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy covering a loan, the insured will generally be required to

- advance or discharge all hazard insurance policy premiums and as necessary and approved in advance by
  the primary insurer, real estate property taxes, all expenses required to maintain the related Property in at
  least as good a condition as existed at the effective date of the Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy, ordinary
  wear and tear excepted, Property sales expenses, any specified outstanding liens on the Property and
  foreclosure costs, including court costs and reasonable attorneys' fees;
- upon any physical loss or damage to the Property, have the Property restored and repaired to at least as good a condition as existed at the effective date of the Primary Mortgage Insurance Policy, ordinary wear and tear excepted; and
- tender to the primary insurer good and merchantable title to and possession of the Property.

The master servicer, on behalf of itself, the trustee and the certificateholders, will present claims to the insurer under each primary mortgage insurance policy, and will take any reasonable steps consistent with its practices regarding comparable mortgage loans and necessary to receive payment or to permit recovery under the policy with respect to defaulted mortgage loans.

FHA Insurance; VA Guaranties. Loans designated in the related prospectus supplement as insured by the FHA will be insured by the FHA as authorized under the United States Housing Act of 1937, as amended. Certain loans will be insured under various FHA programs including the standard FHA 203 (b) program to finance the acquisition of one- to four-family housing units and the FHA 245 graduated payment mortgage program. These programs generally limit the principal amount and interest rates of the mortgage loans insured. Loans insured by FHA generally require a minimum down payment of approximately 5% of the original principal amount of the loan. No FHA-insured loans relating to a series may have an interest rate or original principal amount exceeding the applicable FHA limits at the time of origination of the loan.

The insurance premiums for loans insured by the FHA are collected by lenders approved by the HUD or by the master servicer or any sub-servicers and are paid to the FHA. The regulations governing FHA single-family mortgage insurance programs provide that insurance benefits are payable either upon foreclosure (or other acquisition of possession) and conveyance of the mortgaged premises to HUD or upon assignment of the defaulted loan to HUD. With respect to a defaulted FHA-insured loan, the master servicer or any sub-servicer is limited in its ability to initiate foreclosure proceedings. When it is determined, either by the master servicer or any sub-servicer or HUD, that default was caused by circumstances beyond the mortgagor's control, the master servicer or any subservicer is expected to make an effort to avoid foreclosure by entering, if feasible, into one of a number of available forms of forbearance plans with the mortgagor. These plans may involve the reduction or suspension of regular loan payments for a specified period, with the payments to be made up on or before the maturity date of the loan, or the recasting of payments due under the loan up to or beyond the maturity date. In addition, when a default caused by circumstances beyond the mortgagor's control is accompanied by certain other criteria. HUD may provide relief by making payments to the master servicer or any sub-servicer in partial or full satisfaction of amounts due under the loan (which payments are to be repaid by the mortgagor to HUD) or by accepting assignment of the loan from the master servicer or any sub-servicer. With certain exceptions, at least three full monthly installments must be due and unpaid under the loan and HUD must have rejected any request for relief from the mortgagor before the master servicer or any sub-servicer may initiate foreclosure proceedings.

HUD has the option, in most cases, to pay insurance claims in cash or in debentures issued by HUD. Currently, claims are being paid in cash, and claims have not been paid in debentures since 1965. HUD debentures issued in satisfaction of FHA insurance claims bear interest at the applicable HUD debentures interest rate. The master servicer of any sub-servicer of each FHA-insured mortgage loan will be obligated to purchase the debenture issued in satisfaction of the loan upon default for an amount equal to the principal amount of the debenture.

The amount of insurance benefits generally paid by the FHA is equal to the entire unpaid principal amount of the defaulted loan adjusted to reimburse the master servicer or sub-servicer for certain costs and expenses and to deduct certain amounts received or retained by the master servicer or sub-servicer after default. When entitlement to insurance benefits results from foreclosure (or other acquisition of possession) and conveyance to HUD, the master servicer or sub-servicer is compensated for no more than two-thirds of its foreclosure costs, and is compensated for accrued and unpaid interest but in general only to the extent it was allowed pursuant to a forbearance plan approved by HUD. When entitlement to insurance benefits results from assignment of the loan to HUD, the insurance payment includes full compensation for interest accrued and unpaid to the assignment date. The insurance payment itself, upon foreclosure of an FHA-insured mortgage loan, bears interest from a date 30 days after the mortgagor's first uncorrected failure to perform any obligation to make any payment due under the loan and, upon assignment, from the date of assignment to the date of payment of the claim, in each case at the same interest rate as the applicable HUD debenture interest rate as described above.

Loans designated in the related prospectus supplement as guaranteed by the VA will be partially guaranteed by the VA under the Serviceman's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended (a "VA Guaranty"). The Serviceman's Readjustment Act of 1944, as amended, permits a veteran (or in certain instances the spouse of a veteran) to obtain a mortgage loan guaranty by the VA covering mortgage financing of the purchase of a one- to four-family dwelling unit at interest rates permitted by the VA. The program has no mortgage loan limits, requires no down payment from the purchaser and permits the guaranty of mortgage loans of up to 30 years' duration. However, no loan guaranteed by the VA will have an original principal amount greater than five times the partial VA guaranty for the loan. The maximum guaranty that may be issued by the VA under a VA guaranteed mortgage loan depends upon the original principal amount of the mortgage loan, as further described in 38 United States Code Section 1803(a), as amended.

The liability on the guaranty may be reduced or increased pro rata with any reduction or increase in the amount of indebtedness, but in no event will the amount payable on the guaranty exceed the amount of the original guaranty. The VA, at its option and without regard to the guaranty, may make full payment to a mortgage holder of unsatisfied indebtedness on a loan upon its assignment to the VA.

With respect to a defaulted VA guaranteed loan, the master servicer or sub-servicer is, absent exceptional circumstances, authorized to announce its intention to foreclose only when the default has continued for three months. Generally, a claim for the guaranty is submitted after liquidation of the mortgaged property.

The amount payable under the guaranty will be the percentage of the VA-insured loan originally guaranteed applied to indebtedness outstanding as of the applicable date of computation specified in the VA regulations. Payments under the guaranty will be equal to the unpaid principal amount of the loan, interest accrued on the unpaid balance of the loan to the appropriate date of computation and limited expenses of the mortgagee, but in each case only to the extent that the amounts have not been recovered through liquidation of the mortgaged property.

## Servicing and Other Compensation and Payment of Expenses

The principal servicing compensation to be paid to the master servicer in respect of its master servicing activities for each series of securities will be equal to the percentage per annum described in the related prospectus supplement (which may vary under certain circumstances) of the outstanding principal balance of each loan, and that compensation will be retained by it from collections of interest on the loan in the related trust fund (the "Master Servicing Fee"). As compensation for its servicing duties, a sub-servicer or, if there is no sub-servicer, the master servicer will be entitled to a monthly servicing fee as described in the related prospectus supplement. In addition, generally, the master servicer or sub-servicer will retain all prepayment charges, assumption fees and late payment

charges, to the extent collected from borrowers, and any benefit that may accrue as a result of the investment of funds in the applicable Security Account.

The master servicer will, to the extent permitted in the related Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement, pay or cause to be paid certain ongoing expenses associated with each trust fund and incurred by it in connection with its responsibilities under the related Agreement, including, without limitation, payment of any fee or other amount payable in respect of any credit enhancement arrangements, payment of the fees and disbursements of the trustee, unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, any custodian appointed by the trustee, the certificate registrar and any paying agent, and payment of expenses incurred in enforcing the obligations of sub-servicers and sellers. The master servicer will be entitled to reimbursement of expenses incurred in enforcing the obligations of sub-servicers and sellers under certain limited circumstances. In addition, as indicated in the preceding section, the master servicer will be entitled to reimbursement for certain expenses incurred by it in connection with any defaulted loan as to which it has determined that all recoverable Liquidation Proceeds and Insurance Proceeds have been received and in connection with the restoration of Properties, the right of reimbursement being before the rights of holders of the securities to receive any related Liquidation Proceeds (including Insurance Proceeds).

## **Evidence as to Compliance**

Each Agreement will provide for delivery to the depositor and the trustee, on or before a specified date in each year, of an annual statement signed by an authorized officer of the master servicer to the effect that the master servicer has fulfilled its obligations under the Agreement throughout the preceding year.

Each Agreement will also provide for delivery to the depositor, the master servicer and the trustee, on or before a specified date in each year, of an annual servicing assessment report from each party performing servicing functions with respect to the related series, including any servicer that services 5% or more of the Trust Fund Assets. In each assessment report, the party providing the report must include an assessment of its compliance with the servicing criteria during the previous fiscal year, and disclose any material noncompliance with the applicable servicing criteria. The servicing criteria are divided generally into four categories:

- general servicing considerations;
- cash collection and administration;
- investor remittances and reporting; and
- pool asset administration.

Each servicing assessment report is required to be accompanied by attestation report provided by a public registered accounting firm. The attestation report must contain an opinion of the registered public accounting firm as to whether the related servicing criteria assessment was fairly stated in all material respects, or a statement that the firm cannot express that opinion. The attestation examination the must be made in accordance with the attestation engagement standards issued or adopted by the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board.

Copies of the annual servicing compliance statement, the servicing criteria assessment report and related accountants attestations and the annual accountants' statement (if any) may be obtained by securityholders of the related series without charge upon written request to the master servicer at the address set forth in the related prospectus supplement.

# Certain Matters Regarding the Master Servicer and the Depositor

The master servicer under each Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement, as applicable, will be named in the related prospectus supplement. The entity serving as master servicer may have normal business relationships with the depositor or the depositor's affiliates.

Each Agreement will provide that the master servicer may not resign from its obligations and duties under the Agreement except upon a determination that its duties thereunder are no longer permissible under applicable law or upon appointment of a successor servicer and with receipt by the trustee of written confirmation from each Ratings Agency that such resignation and appointment would not result in a downgrade or withdrawal of the ratings of any of the securities. The master servicer may, however, be removed from its obligations and duties as set forth in the Agreement. No resignation will become effective until the trustee or a successor servicer has assumed the master servicer's obligations and duties under the Agreement.

Each Agreement will further provide that neither the master servicer, the depositor nor any director, officer, employee, or agent of the master servicer or the depositor will be under any liability to the securityholders for any action taken or for refraining from the taking of any action in good faith pursuant to the Agreement, or for errors in judgment; provided, however, that neither the master servicer, the depositor nor any person will be protected against any breach of a representation and warranty, any liability which would otherwise be imposed by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of duties thereunder or by reason of reckless disregard of obligations and duties thereunder. Each Agreement will further provide that the master servicer, the depositor and any director, officer, employee or agent of the master servicer or the depositor will be entitled to indemnification by the related trust fund and will be held harmless against any loss, liability or expense incurred in connection with any audit, controversy or judicial proceeding relating to a governmental taxing authority or any legal action relating to the Agreement or the securities, other than any loss, liability or expense related to any specific loan or loans (except any loss, liability or expense otherwise reimbursable pursuant to the Agreement) and any loss, liability or expense incurred by reason of willful misfeasance, bad faith or gross negligence in the performance of duties thereunder or by reason of reckless disregard of obligations and duties thereunder. In addition, each Agreement will provide that neither the master servicer nor the depositor will be under any obligation to appear in, prosecute or defend any legal action which is not incidental to its respective responsibilities under the Agreement and which in its opinion may involve it in any expense or liability. The master servicer or the depositor may, however, in its discretion undertake any action which it may deem necessary or desirable with respect to the Agreement and the rights and duties of the parties thereto and the interests of the trustee and the securityholders thereunder. In that event, the legal expenses and costs of the action and any liability resulting therefrom will be expenses, costs and liabilities of the trust fund and the master servicer or the depositor, as the case may be, will be entitled to be reimbursed therefor out of funds otherwise distributable to securityholders.

In general, any person into which the master servicer may be merged or consolidated, or any person resulting from any merger or consolidation to which the master servicer is a party, or any person succeeding to the business of the master servicer, will be the successor of the master servicer under each Agreement, provided that that person is qualified to sell mortgage loans to, and service mortgage loans on behalf of, Fannie Mae or Freddie Mac.

## **Events of Default; Rights Upon Event of Default**

Pooling and Servicing Agreement; Sale and Servicing Agreement. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for other Events of Default under any Pooling and Servicing Agreement or Sale and Servicing Agreement, but if it does not, the Events of Default will consist of

- any failure by the master servicer to deposit in the Security Account or remit to the trustee or trust, as applicable, any payment required to be made under the terms of the Agreement which continues unremedied for five days after the giving of written notice of the failure to the master servicer by the trustee or the depositor, or to the master servicer and the trustee by the holders of securities evidencing not less than 25% of the Voting Rights evidenced by the securities;
- any failure by the master servicer to observe or perform in any material respect any of its other covenants or agreements in the Agreement which failure materially affects the rights of the holders of the securities and continues unremedied for sixty days after the giving of written notice of the failure to the master servicer by the trustee or the depositor, or to the master servicer and the trustee by the holders of securities evidencing not less than 25% of the Voting Rights evidenced by the securities; and

 certain events of insolvency, readjustment of debt, marshalling of assets and liabilities or similar proceeding and certain actions by or on behalf of the master servicer indicating its insolvency, reorganization or inability to pay its obligations.

"Voting Rights" are the portion of voting rights of all of the securities that is allocated to any security pursuant to the terms of the Agreement.

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, the Agreement will permit the trustee to sell the Trust Fund Assets and the other assets of the trust fund described under "Credit Enhancement" herein in the event that payments on them are insufficient to make payments required in the Agreement. The assets of the trust fund will be sold only under the circumstances and in the manner specified in the related prospectus supplement.

The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for steps required to be taken if an Event of Default remains unremedied, but if it does not, so long as an Event of Default under an Agreement remains unremedied, the trustee may, and under the circumstances decided in the related Master Servicing Agreement, shall at the direction of holders of certificates having not less than 661/3% of the Voting Rights, or notes of any class evidencing not less than 25% of the aggregate percentage interests constituting that class, and under those circumstances as may be specified in the Agreement, the trustee shall terminate all of the rights and obligations of the master servicer under the Agreement relating to the trust fund and in and to the related Trust Fund Assets, whereupon the trustee will succeed to all of the responsibilities, duties and liabilities of the master servicer under the Agreement, including, if specified in the related prospectus supplement, the obligation to make advances, and will be entitled to similar compensation arrangements. After the master servicer has received notice of termination, the trustee may execute and deliver, on behalf of the master servicer, as attorney-in-fact or otherwise, any and all documents and other instruments, and do or accomplish all other acts or things necessary or appropriate to effect the termination of the master servicer, including the transfer and endorsement or assignment of the loans and related documents. The master servicer has agreed to cooperate with the trustee in effecting the termination of the master servicer, including the transfer to the trustee of all cash amounts which shall at the time be credited to the Security Account, or thereafter be received with respect to the loans. Upon request of the trustee, the master servicer has also agreed, at its expense, to deliver to the assuming party all documents and records relating to each subservicing agreement and the loans then being serviced thereunder and an accounting of amounts collected held by it and otherwise use its best efforts to effect the orderly and efficient transfer of the subservicing agreement to the assuming party. No additional funds have been reserved to pay for any expenses not paid by the master servicer in connection with a servicing transfer.

In the event that the trustee is unwilling or unable to act as the successor to the master servicer, it may appoint, or petition a court of competent jurisdiction for the appointment of, a mortgage loan servicing institution with a net worth of at least \$15,000,000 to act as successor to the master servicer under the Agreement. Pending that appointment, the trustee is obligated to act in that capacity. The trustee and any successor may agree upon the servicing compensation to be paid, which in no event may be greater than the compensation payable to the master servicer under the Agreement.

Unless otherwise provided in the related prospectus supplement, no securityholder, solely by virtue of the holder's status as a securityholder, will have any right under any Agreement to institute any proceeding with respect to the Agreement, unless the holder previously has given to the trustee written notice of default and unless the holders of securities of any class of that series evidencing not less than, in the case of certificates, 25% of the Voting Rights evidenced by the certificates and, in the case of notes, 25% of the aggregate percentage interests constituting the class have made written request upon the trustee to institute the proceeding in its own name as trustee thereunder and have offered to the trustee reasonable indemnity, and the trustee for 60 days has neglected or refused to institute that proceeding.

*Indenture.* The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for other Events of Default, but if it does not, the Events of Default under each Indenture will consist of:

- a default by the issuer in the payment of any principal of or interest on any note of that series which continues unremedied for five days after the giving of written notice of the default is given as specified in the related prospectus supplement;
- failure to perform in any material respect any other obligation or observe any representation or warranty of the issuer in the Indenture which continues for a period of thirty (30) days after notice thereof is given in accordance with the procedures described in the related prospectus supplement;
- certain events of insolvency with respect to the issuer; or
- any other Event of Default provided with respect to notes of that series including but not limited to certain defaults on the part of the issuer, if any, of a credit enhancement instrument supporting the notes.

Unless otherwise provided in the related prospectus supplement, if an Event of Default with respect to the notes of any series at the time outstanding occurs and is continuing, either the trustee or the holders of not less than 51% of the then aggregate outstanding amount of the notes of that series may declare the principal amount (or, if the notes of that series have an interest rate of 0%, the portion of the principal amount as may be specified in the terms of that series, as provided in the related prospectus supplement) of all the notes of that series to be due and payable immediately. That declaration may, under certain circumstances, be rescinded and annulled by the holders of not less than 51% of the percentage interests of the notes of the series.

Unless otherwise provided in the related prospectus supplement, if, following an Event of Default with respect to any series of notes, the notes of the series have been declared to be due and payable, the trustee may, notwithstanding that acceleration, elect to maintain possession of the collateral securing the notes of the series and to continue to apply distributions on the collateral as if there had been no declaration of acceleration if the collateral continues to provide sufficient funds for the payment of principal of and interest on the notes of the series as they would have become due if there had not been a declaration. In addition, unless otherwise specified in the related prospectus supplement, the trustee may not sell or otherwise liquidate the collateral securing the notes of a series following an Event of Default, other than a default in the payment of any principal or interest on any note of the series for five days or more, unless

- the holders of 100% of the percentage interests of the notes of the series consent to the sale,
- the proceeds of the sale or liquidation are sufficient to pay in full the principal of and accrued interest, due and unpaid, on the outstanding notes of the series at the date of the sale or
- the trustee determines that the collateral would not be sufficient on an ongoing basis to make all payments on the notes as the payments would have become due if the notes had not been declared due and payable, and the trustee obtains the consent of the holders of a majority of the percentage interests of the notes of the series.

If specified in the related prospectus supplement, other parties, such as a credit enhancement provider, may have certain rights with respect to remedies upon an Event of Default that may limit the rights of the related noteholders.

In the event that the trustee liquidates the collateral in connection with an Event of Default involving a default for five days or more in the payment of principal of or interest on the notes of a series, the Indenture may provide that the trustee will have a prior lien on the proceeds of that liquidation for unpaid fees and expenses. As a result, upon the occurrence of that Event of Default, the amount available for distribution to the noteholders would be less than would otherwise be the case. However, the trustee may not institute a proceeding for the enforcement

of its lien except in connection with a proceeding for the enforcement of the lien of the Indenture for the benefit of the noteholders after the occurrence of that Event of Default.

In the event the principal of the notes of a series is declared due and payable, as described above, the holders of the notes issued at a discount from par may be entitled to receive no more than an amount equal to the unpaid principal amount thereof less the amount of the discount which is unamortized.

Subject to the provisions of the Indenture relating to the duties of the trustee, in case an Event of Default shall occur and be continuing with respect to a series of notes, the trustee shall be under no obligation to exercise any of the rights or powers under the Indenture at the request or direction of any of the holders of notes of the series, unless the holders offered to the trustee security or indemnity satisfactory to it against the costs, expenses and liabilities which might be incurred by it in complying with the request or direction. Subject to the provisions for indemnification and certain limitations contained in the Indenture, the holders of not less than 51% of the then aggregate outstanding amount of the notes of the series shall have the right to direct the time, method and place of conducting any proceeding for any remedy available to the trustee or exercising any trust or power conferred on the trustee with respect to the notes of the series, and the holders of not less than 51% of the then aggregate outstanding amount of the notes of the series may, in certain cases, waive any default with respect thereto, except a default in the payment of principal or interest or a default in respect of a covenant or provision of the Indenture that cannot be modified without the waiver or consent of all the holders of the outstanding notes of the series affected thereby. If provided in the related prospectus supplement, the priority of payments payable on the notes may change following an Event of Default.

#### Amendment

The applicable prospectus supplement may specify other amendment provisions, but if it does not, each Agreement may be amended by the parties to the Agreement, without the consent of any of the securityholders,

- (a) to cure any ambiguity or mistake;
- (b) to correct any defective provision in the Agreement or to supplement any provision in the Agreement that may be inconsistent with any other provision in it;
- (c) to conform the Agreement to the related prospectus supplement or the prospectus provided to investors in connection with the initial offering of the securities;
  - (d) to add to the duties of the depositor, any seller or the master servicer;
- (e) to modify, alter, amend, add to or rescind any of the terms or provisions contained in the Agreement to comply with any rules or regulations promulgated by the SEC from time to time;
  - (f) to add any other provisions with respect to matters or questions arising hereunder; or
- (g) to modify, alter, amend, add to or rescind any of the terms or provisions contained in this Agreement,

provided that no action pursuant to clauses (f) or (g) may, as evidenced by an opinion of counsel, adversely affect in any material respect the interests of any securityholder. No opinion of counsel will be required if the person requesting the amendment obtains a letter from each Rating Agency requested to rate the class or classes of securities of the related series stating that the amendment will not result in the downgrading or withdrawal of the respective ratings then assigned to the related securities.

In addition, to the extent provided in the related Agreement, an Agreement may be amended without the consent of any of the securityholders, to change the manner in which the Security Account is maintained, provided that the change does not adversely affect the then current rating on the class or classes of securities of the related series that have been rated at the request of the depositor. Moreover, the related Agreement may be amended to

modify, eliminate or add to any of its provisions to the extent necessary to modify the terms or provisions related to any lower-tier REMIC, to maintain the qualification of the related trust fund as a REMIC or to avoid or minimize the risk of imposition of any tax on the REMIC, if a REMIC election is made with respect to the trust fund, or to comply with any other requirements of the Code, if the trustee has received an opinion of counsel to the effect that the action is necessary or helpful to ensure the proper operation of the master REMIC, maintain the qualification, avoid or minimize that risk or comply with those requirements, as applicable.

The applicable prospectus supplement may specify other amendment provisions, but if it does not, each Agreement may also be amended by the parties to the related Agreement with consent of holders of securities of the related series evidencing not less than 51% of the aggregate percentage interests of each class affected thereby for the purpose of adding any provisions to or changing in any manner or eliminating any of the provisions of the Agreement or of modifying in any manner the rights of the holders of the related securities; provided, however, that the amendment may not

- reduce in any manner the amount of or delay the timing of, payments received on Trust Fund Assets which are required to be distributed on any security without the consent of the holder of the related security,
- adversely affect in any material respect the interests of the holders of any class of securities in a manner other than as described in the preceding bullet point, without the consent of the holders of securities of the class evidencing, as to the class, percentage interests aggregating 66%, or
- reduce the aforesaid percentage of securities of any class the holders of which are required to consent to the
  amendment without the consent of the holders of all securities of that class covered by the Agreement then
  outstanding.

If a REMIC election is made with respect to a trust fund, the trustee will not be entitled to consent to an amendment to the related Agreement without having first received an opinion of counsel to the effect that the amendment will not cause the related trust fund to fail to qualify as a REMIC. If so described in the related prospectus supplement, an amendment of an Agreement may require the consent of persons that are not party to the agreement, such as a credit enhancement provider.

# **Termination**; Optional Termination

Pooling and Servicing Agreement; Sale and Servicing Agreement. The applicable prospectus supplement may provide for the timing by which the Agreement terminates, but if it does not, the obligations created by each Pooling and Servicing Agreement and Sale and Servicing Agreement for each series of securities will terminate upon the payment to the related securityholders of all amounts held in the Security Account or by the master servicer and required to be paid to them pursuant to the related Agreement following the earlier of:

- (i) the final payment of or other liquidation of the last of the Trust Fund Assets subject thereto or the disposition of all property acquired upon foreclosure of any Trust Fund Assets remaining in the trust fund; and
- (ii) the purchase by the master servicer, the party specified in the related prospectus supplement or, if REMIC treatment has been elected and if specified in the related prospectus supplement, by the holder of the residual interest in the REMIC (see "Material Federal Income Tax Consequences" below), from the related trust fund of all of the remaining Trust Fund Assets and all property acquired in respect of the Trust Fund Assets.

Any purchase of Trust Fund Assets and property acquired in respect of Trust Fund Assets evidenced by a series of securities will be made at the option of the master servicer, or the party specified in the related prospectus supplement, including the holder of the REMIC residual interest, at a price specified in the related prospectus supplement. The exercise of this right will effect early retirement of the securities of that series, but the right of the master servicer, or the other party or, if applicable, the holder of the REMIC residual interest, to so purchase is subject to the principal balance of the related Trust Fund Assets being less than the percentage specified in the

related prospectus supplement of the aggregate principal balance of the Trust Fund Assets at the cut-off date for the series. The foregoing is subject to the provision that if a REMIC election is made with respect to a trust fund, any repurchase pursuant to clause (ii) above will not be made if the repurchase would result in a "prohibited transaction tax" within the meaning of Section 860F(a)(1) of the Code being imposed on any REMIC.

*Indenture*. The Indenture will be discharged with respect to a series of notes (except with respect to certain continuing rights specified in the Indenture) upon the delivery to the trustee for cancellation of all the notes of the related series or, with certain limitations, upon deposit with the trustee of funds sufficient for the payment in full of all of the notes of the related series.

In addition, the Indenture will provide that, if so specified with respect to the notes of any series, the related trust fund will be discharged from any and all obligations in respect of the notes of the series (except for certain obligations relating to temporary notes and exchange of notes, to register the transfer of or exchange notes of the series, to replace stolen, lost or mutilated notes of the series, to maintain paying agencies and to hold monies for payment in trust) upon the deposit with the trustee, in trust, of money and/or direct obligations of or obligations guaranteed by the United States of America which through the payment of interest and principal in respect thereof in accordance with their terms will provide money in an amount sufficient to pay the principal of and each installment of interest on the notes of the series on the last scheduled distribution date for the notes and any installment of interest on the notes in accordance with the terms of the Indenture and the notes of the series. In the event of a defeasance and discharge of notes of a series as described above, holders of notes of the related series would be able to look only to that money and/or direct obligations for payment of principal and interest, if any, on their notes until maturity.

#### The Trustee

The trustee under each Agreement will be named in the applicable prospectus supplement. The commercial bank or trust company serving as trustee may have normal banking relationships with the depositor, the master servicer and any of their respective affiliates.

## Certain Legal Aspects of the Loans

The following discussion contains summaries, which are general in nature, of certain legal matters relating to the loans. Because those legal aspects are governed primarily by applicable state law (which laws may differ substantially), the descriptions do not, except as expressly provided below, reflect the laws of any particular state, nor encompass the laws of all states in which the security for the loans is situated. The descriptions are qualified in their entirety by reference to the applicable federal laws and the appropriate laws of the states in which loans may be originated.

#### General

The loans for a series may be secured by deeds of trust, mortgages, security deeds or deeds to secure debt, depending upon the prevailing practice in the state in which the property subject to the loan is located. Deeds of trust are used almost exclusively in California instead of mortgages. A mortgage creates a lien upon the real property encumbered by the mortgage, which lien is generally not prior to the lien for real estate taxes and assessments. Priority between mortgages depends on their terms and generally on the order of recording with a state or county office. There are two parties to a mortgage: the mortgagor, who is the borrower and owner of the mortgaged property, and the mortgagee, who is the lender. Under the mortgage instrument, the mortgagor delivers to the mortgagee a note or bond and the mortgage. Although a deed of trust is similar to a mortgage, a deed of trust formally has three parties, the borrower-property owner called the trustor (similar to a mortgagor), a lender (similar to a mortgagee) called the beneficiary, and a third-party grantee called the trustee. Under a deed of trust, the borrower grants the property, irrevocably until the debt is paid, in trust, generally with a power of sale, to the trustee to secure payment of the obligation. A security deed and a deed to secure debt are special types of deeds which indicate on their face that they are granted to secure an underlying debt. By executing a security deed or deed to secure debt, the grantor conveys title to, as opposed to merely creating a lien upon, the subject property to the grantee until the underlying debt is repaid. The trustee's authority under a deed of trust, the mortgagee's authority

under a mortgage and the grantee's authority under a security deed or deed to secure debt are governed by law and, with respect to some deeds of trust, the directions of the beneficiary.

In this prospectus, we generally use the term "mortgage" to generically describe real-estate security instruments, however, if certain information relates to a particular security instrument, we will refer to that security instrument.

Cooperatives. Certain of the loans may be cooperative loans. The cooperative owns all the real property that comprises the project, including the land, separate dwelling units and all common areas. The cooperative is directly responsible for project management and, in most cases, payment of real estate taxes and hazard and liability insurance. If there is a blanket mortgage on the cooperative and/or underlying land, as is generally the case, the cooperative, as project mortgagor, is also responsible for meeting these mortgage obligations. A blanket mortgage is ordinarily incurred by the cooperative in connection with the construction or purchase of the cooperative's apartment building. The interest of the occupant under proprietary leases or occupancy agreements to which that cooperative is a party are generally subordinate to the interest of the holder of the blanket mortgage in that building. If the cooperative is unable to meet the payment obligations arising under its blanket mortgage, the mortgagee holding the blanket mortgage could foreclose on that mortgage and terminate all subordinate proprietary leases and occupancy agreements. In addition, the blanket mortgage on a cooperative may provide financing in the form of a mortgage that does not fully amortize with a significant portion of principal being due in one lump sum at final maturity. The inability of the cooperative to refinance this mortgage and its consequent inability to make the final payment could lead to foreclosure by the mortgagee providing the financing. A foreclosure in either event by the holder of the blanket mortgage could eliminate or significantly diminish the value of any collateral held by the lender who financed the purchase by an individual tenant-stockholder of cooperative shares or, in the case of a trust fund including cooperative loans, the collateral securing the cooperative loans.

The cooperative is owned by tenant-stockholders who, through ownership of stock, shares or membership certificates in the corporation, receive proprietary leases or occupancy agreements which confer exclusive rights to occupy specific units. Generally, a tenant-stockholder of a cooperative must make a monthly payment to the cooperative representing the tenant-stockholder's pro rata share of the cooperative's payments for its blanket mortgage, real property taxes, maintenance expenses and other capital or ordinary expenses. An ownership interest in a cooperative and accompanying rights is financed through a cooperative share loan evidenced by a promissory note and secured by a security interest in the occupancy agreement or proprietary lease and in the related cooperative shares. The lender takes possession of the share certificate and a counterpart of the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement, and a financing statement covering the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement and the cooperative shares is filed in the appropriate state and local offices to perfect the lender's interest in its collateral. Subject to the limitations discussed below, upon default of the tenant-stockholder, the lender may sue for judgment on the promissory note, dispose of the collateral at a public or private sale or otherwise proceed against the collateral or tenant-stockholder as an individual as provided in the security agreement covering the assignment of the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement and the pledge of cooperative shares.

# Foreclosure

Deed of Trust. Foreclosure of a deed of trust is generally accomplished by a non-judicial sale under a specific provision in the deed of trust which authorizes the trustee to sell the property at public auction upon any material default by the borrower under the terms of the note or deed of trust. In certain states, foreclosure also may be accomplished by judicial action in the manner provided for foreclosure of mortgages. In addition to any notice requirements contained in a deed of trust, in some states (such as California), the trustee must record a notice of default and send a copy to the borrower-trustor, to any person who has recorded a request for a copy of any notice of default and notice of sale, to any successor in interest to the borrower-trustor, to the beneficiary of any junior deed of trust and to certain other persons. In some states (including California), the borrower-trustor has the right to reinstate the loan at any time following default until shortly before the trustee's sale. In general, the borrower, or any other person having a junior encumbrance on the real estate, may, during a statutorily prescribed reinstatement period, cure a monetary default by paying the entire amount in arrears plus other designated costs and expenses incurred in enforcing the obligation. Generally, state law controls the amount of foreclosure expenses and costs, including attorney's fees, which may be recovered by a lender. After the reinstatement period has expired without the default having been cured, the borrower or junior lienholder no longer has the right to reinstate the loan and must

pay the loan in full to prevent the scheduled foreclosure sale. If the deed of trust is not reinstated within any applicable cure period, a notice of sale must be posted in a public place and, in most states (including California), published for a specific period of time in one or more newspapers. In addition, some state laws require that a copy of the notice of sale be posted on the property and sent to all parties having an interest of record in the real property. In California, the entire process from recording a notice of default to a non-judicial sale usually takes four to five months.

Mortgages. Foreclosure of a mortgage is generally accomplished by judicial action. The action is initiated by the service of legal pleadings upon all parties having an interest in the real property. Delays in completion of the foreclosure may occasionally result from difficulties in locating necessary parties. Judicial foreclosure proceedings are often not contested by any of the parties. When the mortgagee's right to foreclosure is contested, the legal proceedings necessary to resolve the issue can be time consuming. After the completion of a judicial foreclosure proceeding, the court generally issues a judgment of foreclosure and appoints a referee or other court officer to conduct the sale of the property. In some states, mortgages may also be foreclosed by advertisement, pursuant to a power of sale provided in the mortgage.

Although foreclosure sales are typically public sales, frequently no third party purchaser bids in excess of the lender's lien because of the difficulty of determining the exact status of title to the property, the possible deterioration of the property during the foreclosure proceedings and a requirement that the purchaser pay for the property in cash or by cashier's check. Thus the foreclosing lender often purchases the property from the trustee or referee for an amount equal to the principal amount outstanding under the loan, accrued and unpaid interest and the expenses of foreclosure in which event the mortgagor's debt will be extinguished or the lender may purchase for a lesser amount in order to preserve its right against a borrower to seek a deficiency judgment in states where the judgment is available. Thereafter, subject to the right of the borrower in some states to remain in possession during the redemption period, the lender will assume the burden of ownership, including obtaining hazard insurance and making the repairs at its own expense as are necessary to render the property suitable for sale. The lender will commonly obtain the services of a real estate broker and pay the broker's commission in connection with the sale of the property. Depending upon market conditions, the ultimate proceeds of the sale of the property may not equal the lender's investment in the property. Any loss may be reduced by the receipt of any mortgage guaranty insurance proceeds.

Courts have imposed general equitable principles upon foreclosure, which are generally designed to mitigate the legal consequences to the borrower of the borrower's defaults under the loan documents. Some courts have been faced with the issue of whether federal or state constitutional provisions reflecting due process concerns for fair notice require that borrowers under deeds of trust receive notice longer than that prescribed by statute. For the most part, these cases have upheld the notice provisions as being reasonable or have found that the sale by a trustee under a deed of trust does not involve sufficient state action to afford constitutional protection to the borrower.

When the beneficiary under a junior mortgage or deed of trust cures the default and reinstates or redeems by paying the full amount of the senior mortgage or deed of trust, the amount paid by the beneficiary so to cure or redeem becomes a part of the indebtedness secured by the junior mortgage or deed of trust. See "Junior Mortgages; Rights of Senior Mortgagees" below.

Cooperative Loans. The cooperative shares owned by the tenant-stockholder and pledged to the lender are, in almost all cases, subject to restrictions on transfer as set forth in the cooperative's certificate of incorporation and bylaws, as well as the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement, and may be cancelled by the cooperative for failure by the tenant-stockholder to pay rent or other obligations or charges owed by the tenant-stockholder, including mechanics' liens against the cooperative apartment building incurred by the tenant-stockholder. The proprietary lease or occupancy agreement generally permits the cooperative to terminate the lease or agreement in the event an obligor fails to make payments or defaults in the performance of covenants required thereunder. Typically, the lender and the cooperative enter into a recognition agreement which establishes the rights and obligations of both parties in the event of a default by the tenant-stockholder on its obligations under the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement. A default by the tenant-stockholder under the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement will usually constitute a default under the security agreement between the lender and the tenant-stockholder.

The recognition agreement generally provides that, in the event that the tenant-stockholder has defaulted under the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement, the cooperative will take no action to terminate the lease or agreement until the lender has been provided with an opportunity to cure the default. The recognition agreement typically provides that if the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement is terminated, the cooperative will recognize the lender's lien against proceeds from the sale of the cooperative apartment, subject, however, to the cooperative's right to sums due under the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement. The total amount owed to the cooperative by the tenant-stockholder, which the lender generally cannot restrict and does not monitor, could reduce the value of the collateral below the outstanding principal balance of the cooperative loan and accrued and unpaid interest thereon.

Recognition agreements also provide that in the event of a foreclosure on a cooperative loan, the lender must obtain the approval or consent of the cooperative as required by the proprietary lease before transferring the cooperative shares or assigning the proprietary lease. Generally, the lender is not limited in any rights it may have to dispossess the tenant-stockholders.

In some states, foreclosure on the cooperative shares is accomplished by a sale in accordance with the provisions of Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code (the "UCC") and the security agreement relating to those shares. Article 9 of the UCC requires that a sale be conducted in a "commercially reasonable" manner. Whether a foreclosure sale has been conducted in a "commercially reasonable" manner will depend on the facts in each case. In determining commercial reasonableness, a court will look to the notice given the debtor and the method, manner, time, place and terms of the foreclosure. Generally, a sale conducted according to the usual practice of banks selling similar collateral will be considered reasonably conducted.

Article 9 of the UCC provides that the proceeds of the sale will be applied first to pay the costs and expenses of the sale and then to satisfy the indebtedness secured by the lender's security interest. The recognition agreement, however, generally provides that the lender's right to reimbursement is subject to the right of the cooperative to receive sums due under the proprietary lease or occupancy agreement. If there are proceeds remaining, the lender must account to the tenant-stockholder for the surplus. Conversely, if a portion of the indebtedness remains unpaid, the tenant-stockholder is generally responsible for the deficiency. See "Anti-Deficiency Legislation and Other Limitations on Lenders" below.

In the case of foreclosure on a building which was converted from a rental building to a building owned by a cooperative under a non-eviction plan, some states require that a purchaser at a foreclosure sale take the property subject to rent control and rent stabilization laws which apply to certain tenants who elected to remain in the building but who did not purchase shares in the cooperative when the building was so converted.

#### **Environmental Risks**

Real property pledged as security to a lender may be subject to unforeseen environmental risks. Environmental remedial costs can be substantial and can potentially exceed the value of the property. Under the laws of certain states, contamination of a property may give rise to a lien on the property to assure the payment of the costs of clean-up. In several states that lien has priority over the lien of an existing mortgage against the property. In addition, under the federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980 ("CERCLA"), the EPA may impose a lien on property where EPA has incurred clean-up costs. However, a CERCLA lien is subordinate to pre-existing, perfected security interests.

Under the laws of some states, and under CERCLA, it is conceivable that a secured lender may be held liable as an "owner" or "operator" for the costs of addressing releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances at a Property, even though the environmental damage or threat was caused by a prior or current owner or operator. CERCLA imposes liability for the costs on any and all "potentially responsible parties," including "owners" or "operators". However, CERCLA excludes from the definition of "owner or operator" a secured creditor who holds indicia of ownership primarily to protect its security interest (the "secured creditor exemption") but without "participating in the management" of the property. Thus, if a lender's activities encroach on the actual management of a contaminated facility or property, the lender may incur liability as an "owner or operator" under CERCLA. Similarly, if a lender forecloses and takes title to a contaminated facility or property, the lender may incur CERCLA liability in various circumstances, including, but not limited to, when it fails to market the property in a timely fashion.

Whether actions taken by a lender would constitute participation in the management of a mortgaged property so as to render the secured creditor exemption unavailable to a lender, was historically a matter of judicial interpretation of the statutory language. Court decisions were inconsistent and, in fact, in 1990, the Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit suggested that the mere capacity of the lender to influence a borrower's decisions regarding disposal of hazardous substances was sufficient participation in the management of a borrower's business to deny the protection of the secured creditor exemption to the lender. In 1996, Congress enacted the Asset Conservation, Lender Liability and Deposit Insurance Protection Act ("Asset Conservation Act"), which provides that, in order to be deemed to have participated in the management of a mortgaged property, a lender must actually participate in the operational affairs of the property. The Asset Conservation Act also provides that participation in the management of the property does not include "merely having the capacity to influence, or unexercised right to control" operations. Rather, a lender will lose the protection of the secured creditor exemption only if it (a) exercises decision making control over the borrower's environmental compliance and hazardous substance handling and disposal practices at the property, or (b) exercises control comparable to the manager of the property, so that the lender has assumed responsibility for (i) "the overall management of the facility encompassing day-to-day decision making with respect to environmental compliance" or (ii) "over all or substantially all of the operational functions" of the property other than environmental compliance.

If a lender is or becomes liable, it may be able to bring an action for contribution under CERCLA or other statutory or common laws against any other "potentially responsible parties," including a previous owner or operator, who created the environmental hazard, but those persons or entities may be bankrupt or otherwise judgment proof. The costs associated with environmental cleanup may be substantial. It is conceivable that the costs arising from the circumstances set forth above would result in a loss to certificateholders.

CERCLA does not apply to petroleum products, and the secured creditor exemption does not govern liability for cleanup costs under state laws or under federal laws other than CERCLA, including Subtitle I of the federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), which regulates underground petroleum storage tanks (except heating oil tanks). The EPA has adopted a lender liability rule for underground storage tanks under Subtitle I of RCRA. Under that rule, a holder of a security interest in an underground storage tank or real property containing an underground storage tank is not considered an operator of the underground storage tank as long as petroleum is not added to, stored in or dispensed from the tank. Moreover, under the Asset Conservation Act, the protections accorded to lenders under CERCLA are also accorded to holders of security interests in underground petroleum storage tanks or the properties on which they are located. A lender will lose the protections accorded to secured creditors under federal law for petroleum underground storage tanks by "participating in the management" of the tank or tank system if the lender either: (a) "exercises decision making control over the operational" aspects of the tank or tank system; or (b) exercises control comparable to a manager of the property, so that the lender has assumed responsibility for overall management of the property including day-to-day decision making with regard to all, or substantially all, operational aspects. It should be noted, however, that liability for cleanup of petroleum contamination may be governed by state law, which may not provide for any specific protection for secured creditors.

While the "owner" or "operator" of contaminated property may face liability for investigating and cleaning up the property, regardless of fault, it may also be required to comply with environmental regulatory requirements, such as those governing asbestos. In addition, the presence of asbestos, mold, lead-based paint, lead in drinking water, and/or radon at a real property may lead to the incurrence of costs for remediation, mitigation or the implementation of an operations and maintenance plan. Furthermore, the presence of asbestos, mold, lead-based paint, lead in drinking water, radon and/or contamination at a property may present a risk that third parties will seek recovery from "owners" or "operators" of that property for personal injury or property damage. Environmental regulatory requirements for property "owners" or "operators," or law that is the basis for claims of personal injury or property damage, may not have exemptions for secured creditors.

In general, at the time the loans were originated no environmental assessment, or a very limited environmental assessment, of the Properties was conducted.

## **Rights of Redemption**

In some states, after sale pursuant to a deed of trust or foreclosure of a mortgage, the borrower and foreclosed junior lienors are given a statutory period in which to redeem the property from the foreclosure sale. In certain other states (including California), this right of redemption applies only to sales following judicial foreclosure, and not to sales pursuant to a non-judicial power of sale. In most states where the right of redemption is available, statutory redemption may occur upon payment of the foreclosure purchase price, accrued interest and taxes. In other states, redemption may be authorized if the former borrower pays only a portion of the sums due. The effect of a statutory right of redemption is to diminish the ability of the lender to sell the foreclosed property. The exercise of a right of redemption would defeat the title of any purchaser from the lender subsequent to foreclosure or sale under a deed of trust. Consequently, the practical effect of the redemption right is to force the lender to retain the property and pay the expenses of ownership until the redemption period has run. In some states, there is no right to redeem property after a trustee's sale under a deed of trust.

## Anti-Deficiency Legislation and Other Limitations On Lenders

Certain states have imposed statutory and judicial restrictions that limit the remedies of a beneficiary under a deed of trust or a mortgagee under a mortgage. In some states, including California, statutes and case law limit the right of the beneficiary or mortgagee to obtain a deficiency judgment against borrowers financing the purchase of their residence or following sale under a deed of trust or certain other foreclosure proceedings. A deficiency judgment is a personal judgment against the borrower equal in most cases to the difference between the amount due to the lender and the fair market value of the real property at the time of the foreclosure sale. In certain states, including California, if a lender simultaneously originates a loan secured by a senior lien on a particular property and a loan secured by a junior lien on the same property, that lender as the holder of the junior lien may be precluded from obtaining a deficiency judgment with respect to the excess of the aggregate amount owed under both loans over the proceeds of any sale under a deed of trust or other foreclosure proceedings. As a result of these prohibitions, it is anticipated that in most instances the master servicer will utilize the non-judicial foreclosure remedy and will not seek deficiency judgments against defaulting borrowers.

Some state statutes require the beneficiary or mortgagee to exhaust the security afforded under a deed of trust or mortgage by foreclosure in an attempt to satisfy the full debt before bringing a personal action against the borrower. In certain other states, the lender has the option of bringing a personal action against the borrower on the debt without first exhausting that security; however, in some of these states, the lender, following judgment on that personal action, may be deemed to have elected a remedy and may be precluded from exercising remedies with respect to the security. Consequently, the practical effect of the election requirement, when applicable, is that lenders will usually proceed first against the security rather than bringing a personal action against the borrower. In some states, exceptions to the anti-deficiency statutes are provided for in certain instances where the value of the lender's security has been impaired by acts or omissions of the borrower, for example, in the event of waste of the property. Finally, other statutory provisions limit any deficiency judgment against the former borrower following a foreclosure sale to the excess of the outstanding debt over the fair market value of the property at the time of the public sale. The purpose of these statutes is generally to prevent a beneficiary or a mortgagee from obtaining a large deficiency judgment against the former borrower as a result of low or no bids at the foreclosure sale.

Generally, Article 9 of the UCC governs foreclosure on cooperative shares and the related proprietary lease or occupancy agreement. Some courts have interpreted section 9-504 of the UCC to prohibit a deficiency award unless the creditor establishes that the sale of the collateral (which, in the case of a cooperative loan, would be the shares of the cooperative and the related proprietary lease or occupancy agreement) was conducted in a commercially reasonable manner.

In addition to anti-deficiency and related legislation, numerous other federal and state statutory provisions, including the federal bankruptcy laws, and state laws affording relief to debtors, may interfere with or affect the ability of the secured mortgage lender to realize upon its security. For example, in a proceeding under the federal Bankruptcy Code, a lender may not foreclose on a mortgaged property without the permission of the bankruptcy court. The rehabilitation plan proposed by the debtor may provide, if the mortgaged property is not the debtor's principal residence and the court determines that the value of the mortgaged property is less than the principal balance of the mortgage loan, for the reduction of the secured indebtedness to the value of the mortgaged property as